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C.N. 3431

Govt. of Madras.
PUBLIC WORKS.

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Recd. 18 May 1894 No. 1224.W

House rent

Orders directing the re:
fund of the excess —
paid by the Head Asst^{to}
Collector Coondapoor
over the limit of ten
percent of his salary,
and the recovery of rent
at Rs 70 per mensem
from date of G.O. 903.W
of 3rd April 1894.

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the rate should not have exceeded Rs 76 per mensem, or ten per cent of the salary of the Acting Head Assistant Collector. The necessary adjustments will now be effected by the Executive Engineer. Up to the date of G.O. No. 903 W dated 3rd April 1894, the rent will be taken at 10 per cent of the occupant's salary, and the sums collected in excess of that amount will be refunded. From the date of G.O. No. 903 W above quoted, rent will be recovered at the rate of Rs 70 per mensem.

18/5
Rent of the Head
Asst. Collector's residence
at Coimbatore

To
The Suptg Engineer IV Circle
" Other Suptg Engineers for information
" Examiner. A. W. accounts
" Revenue Department
" Public Department

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19TH JULY 1893, No. 559, Public.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC DEPARTMENT.

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G.O., dated 27th April 1893, Nos. 334, 335, Public.

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From H. LUSON, Esq., Under Secretary to the Government of India, Home Department (Examinations), to the Chief Secretary to the Government of Madras, dated Simla, 30th June 1893, No. 281.

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter, No. 335, dated the 27th April last, with which was forwarded a letter from the Accountant-General, Madras, regarding the nature of the allowance of Rs. 175 granted to Assistant Collectors on their passing the Second Standard examination. It is explained that, in reckoning an unpassed Assistant's salary when acting as Head Assistant, this allowance is not taken as part of the officer's pay for the purposes of Article 125 of the Civil Service Regulations, whilst, in calculating the salary admissible to an Assistant or Head Assistant, when acting as Sub-Collector, it has been usual to treat it as pay. In view of this diversity of practice, the Accountant-General proposes, and the Government of Madras, after reviewing the history of the matter, support the proposal, that this allowance should no longer be considered a special allowance, and that the Rs. 385, Rs. 560 and Rs. 768-5-4, received by unpassed and passed Assistants and Head Assistants, respectively, should be regarded as pay as defined in the Civil Service Regulations.

2. In reply I am to say that this proposal is sanctioned by the Government of India.

ORDER—dated 19th July 1893, No. 559, Public.

Communicated to the Accountant-General.

(True Extract.)

J. F. PRICE,
Chief Secretary.

To the Accountant-General.
" Revenue Department.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

No. 1224 W. d. 18th May 1894.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

again
READ the following

Proceedings of Government No. 3 W. dated 2^o January 1894

Proceedings of Government No. 426 W. dated 15th February 1894

Proceedings of Government No. 903 W. dated 3^o April 1894.

Read also.

Proceedings of the Board of Revenue No. 1177 mis. d. 5-3-'94

Endorsement in the Rev. Dept. No. 1068 mis. d. 12-3-'94

From the Exar. P. W. accounts No. 1161 D d. 28-3-'94

Endorsement to the Rev. Dept. No. 1633 C d. 11-4-'94

Endorsement in the Rev. Dept. No. 792 R d. 23-4-'94

Endorsement in the Public Dept. No. 874 d. 3-5-'94

It is clear from the

papers supplied by the
Public Department that the
rent levied from the Head
Assistant Collector Coondapoor
for the Government building
occupied by him has been
incorrectly assessed, and that

Q. 1224 W. d. 18th Mar 1894.

Govt. of {1893} Madras.

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G.O., 19th July 1893, No. 559.

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3431/94Unpassed, Passed and Head
Assistants' Special Allowances.Communicating to the Accountant-General
letter from the Government of India sanctioning
the proposal that — be regarded as pay as defined
in the Civil Service Regulations.

Govt. of {1880} Madras.

PUBLIC.

To

THE REVENUE DEPARTMENT,

&c.,

&c.,

&c.

Dated June, 18th.

Issued

Recd.

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G.O., 18th June 1880, No. 930.

JUNE.

Nos. 60-64.

Civil Servants.—Communicating letter from
the Government of India deciding that the house-
rent allowance of Assistant and Head Assistant
Collectors in Madras shall in future be consoli-
dated with their pay.

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No. 63. *From S. JACOB, Esq., Officiating Under Secretary to the Government of India, Department of Finance and Commerce, to the Chief Secretary to Government, dated Simla, 1st June 1880, No. 956.*

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter, No. 354, dated 6th March 1880, and in reply to say that with reference to the opinion therein expressed by His Grace the Governor of Fort St. George in Council, viz., that there is no advantage in keeping up the distinction now maintained between the house-rent allowance and pay of Assistant Collectors in Madras, and having regard to the remarks contained in Secretary of State's Despatch, No. 110, dated 9th April 1878, the Governor-General in Council is pleased to decide that the house-rent allowance of Assistant and Head Assistant Collectors in Madras shall in future be consolidated with their pay.

No. 64. ORDER THEREON, 18th June 1880, No. 930.
Communicated to the Revenue Department and to all Collectors.
(True Extract.)

Chief Secretary.

To the Revenue Department.
„ all Collectors.
„ the Board of Revenue.
„ the Accountant-General.

Exd. W. J. Lewis.

1894

Public Works Department.

Revenue Department

Current Number 2762

No. 1633
Dated, 11-25-APR-1894
Despatched
Received



Office note from the
Examiners P.W. Accounts
interpreting the Rules
(a) para 28 Chapter X
P.W. Code in connection
with the note of the
Head Assistant Collector's
residence at Coondapur,
referred to the Revenue
Dept. for decision.

With an endorsement

3.0.736 d 20-2-94

Pubgo 334-350 27-4-93
930 d 18-6-80

Endorsement No. 7927 80

Transferred to the Public Department.

As Secretary to Govt.

Coatacamund
23rd April 1894

Endt. - No. 874

Copies of the marginally noted

90. 930 Public proceedings will be
18.6.80
- 334/5 furnished to the
27.4.93 Public Works depart-
- 559 ment.
19.7.93

It will be seen

from the order quoted
in para 8 of letter of 27.4.93. No.
335 Public that the house rent
of Head Asst. & Asst. Collectors
was in 1880 consolidated with
their pay.

Chief Secretary

CS Coatacamund }
30/4 3rd May 94 }
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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC DEPARTMENT.

18th June 1880, No. 930.

Civil Servants.

Read the following papers:—

No. 60. From S. JACOB, Esq., Officiating Under Secretary to the Government of India, Department of Finance and Commerce, to the Director-General of the Post Office of India, dated Fort William, 17th February 1880, No. 842.

With reference to your note, No. 8826, dated 10th January 1880, I am directed to state that the house-rent allowance of Rs. 35 a-month which Mr. H. G. Turner enjoys as a Covenanted Assistant Collector in the Madras Presidency should be treated as part of his pay, and taken into calculation in determining his salary as Officiating Postmaster-General, Madras.

Copy forwarded to the Government of Madras with reference to the letter from that Government, No. 234, dated 2nd February 1880; and with the request that the Government of India may be informed whether there is any, and if so, what advantage in keeping up the existing nominal distinction between the house-rent and the pay of Assistant Collectors in the Madras Presidency.

(By order, &c.)

(Signed) S. JACOB,
Offg. Under Secy. to the Govt. of India.

No. 61.

No. 353.

Ordered that the following reply be sent.

(Signed) R. DAVIDSON,
Chief Secretary.

No. 62. To the Secretary to the Government of India, Department of Finance, dated Fort St. George, 6th March 1880, No. 354.

With reference to your letter, No. 842, dated the 17th February 1880, I am directed to intimate that there is no advantage in keeping up the distinction between house-rent and pay of Assistant Collectors in this Presidency, and that His Grace the Governor in Council is of opinion that it would be far better to amalgamate it with the pay in all cases of Civilians.

(Signed) R. DAVIDSON,
Chief Secretary.

P. W. CURRENT No. 2488

CURRENT NO. 1248
3431/4

No. 1162 d/28.3.94

To W.
Accountant General's (P.W.D.) Circular No. 27 of 1889 is an interpretation of the previous Code ruling on the subject and as the example given in it has not been embodied in the present ruling, it is clearly not superseded by the latter.

2. It is evident from the Circular that the rule applies to all house allowances paid to an officer and is not restricted to Presidency House Rent.

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Recd: 29.3.94

No. 1633 C/11 - April 1894

Referred to the Revenue Department for decision whether the Board of Revenue is correct in stating that Rs 760 is the salary of an acting Head Assistant Collector and does not include any house allowance. Otherwise the Government's interpretation of Rule II (a) para 28 Chapter XI P.W. Code will affect the rent to be recovered from other Head Assistant Collectors occupying Government quarters.

For Secretary to Govt
Col. 106
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P. W. CURRENT No. 3431

12.13 C/16.3.94
426 W/18.2.94
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32430 2.10.92

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Recd: 7.5.94

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Considered to have superseded the Accountant General's circular quoted above refers only to Presidency house rent. In the present case, although the Head Assistant Collector says that his pay of Rs 760 includes a house allowance of Rs 35, it is not in reality so as all acting Head Assistant Collectors draw that amount as their salary, and the term 'salary' as defined in the Civil Service Regulations does not include House-rent.

(True copy contract)

Livingston
Secretary

The Secretary to Govt. Rev. Dept.

P. W. CURRENT No. 2026
(1894) 2488
REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

Current Number 1856

From

The Board of Revenue
Land Revenue

29.3.94
Recd: 29.3.94

Dated 5th }
Received 7th } March 1894
Enclosures

No. 1177 clis

SUBJECT.

Communicating to the collector of South Canara G.O. regarding rent of the Head Assistant Collector's residence at Bondapuzh and pointing out to Government that the circular from the Accountant General P. M. D. dated 16th November 1889 cannot be applied to the present case.

Endorsement

ABSTRACT.

Endorsement No. 1068 clis

Transferred to the Public Works Department.

L. D. D. Clerk

Ag: Under Secretary to Govt.

Fort St. George }
12th March 1894 }

No. 1213 C of 16th March 1894

To C

For favour of remittances with reference to your office note No. 1638 D of 2nd March 1894 and G.O. No. 426 W of 15th February 1894. Copy enclosed.

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15.3.94

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1894
REVENUE DEPARTMENT
No. 1
27/2

1894
Public Dept.
No. 1248

Order thereon No 426 way 15 Feb 1894.

Recorded with the remark
that the rent recovered from the
Head Assistant Collector Coondapoor,
was assessed under circular
from the Accountant General
P. W. Dept No 27 dated 16 November
1889, a copy of which will be furnished
to the Board of Revenue.

(True Extract)

(sd) O. V. Baddy

Major R.E.

Under Secy to Govt P.W.D.

(True copy)

R. V. Gov.

Head Clerk

P.W. Secretariat.

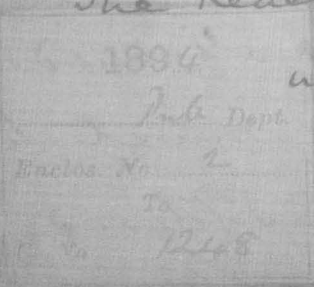
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To.

The Revenue Dept

with copy of the circular.



Proceedings of the Board of Revenue

(Land Revenue),

Dated 5 March

1894,

No. 1177 Mis

READ G. O. Revenue Department dated 20
February 1894 No 736 Mis

Resolution. Dated 5 March 1894, No. 1177

Communicated to the collector
of South Canara.

2. With reference to the remarks
of the Public Works Department, the
Board begs to point out to Govern-
ment that the circular from the
Accountant General Public Works
Department which was issued on
16 November 1889 cannot properly be
applied to the present case. The above
circular, it is true, speaks only of house
allowance; but it is observed that clause
II (a) section 28, Chapter XI of the
Public Works Code which was issued
in 1872 and which therefore must be
considered

Gobt. of {1893} Madras.
PUBLIC.

Issued

Recd.

Encl.

G.O., &c., 27th April 1893,
Nos. 334, 335.

APRIL.

Passed Assistants' Allowance.

Directing that the Government of India be addressed with reference to the Accountant-General's letter regarding the nature of the allowance of Rs. 175 granted to Assistant Collectors on their passing the Second Standard examination.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.



G.O. dated 15th February 1894, No. 426 W.
Read the following

Proceedings of the Board of Revenue
(Land Revenue)

No. 413 Mis d/ 29th January 1894

Read Govt. order Revenue Department
dated 11th January 1894 No 68

Resolution - dated 29th Jan. 1894, ...

Communicated to the Collector
of South Canara.

2. The Board does not understand
why the house rent should in any case
be more than 10 per cent of the Head
Assistant Collector's total pay - Rule
II (a) of Section 28 Chapter XI of the
Govt. of India P.W. Code applies only to
Special Presidency house allowances
(True Extract)

(Sd) W.S. Meyer
Secretary.

Endorsement thereon in the Revenue
Dept dated 2nd February 1894.

Transferred to the P. Dept.
order

10. The local Accountant-General points out that the established practice in his office has been to allow unpassed Assistants acting as Head Assistants an acting allowance of Rs. 200 per mensem [the minimum prescribed in 125 (ii) of the Civil Service Regulations], although two-thirds of the difference between the pay of a Head Assistant (Rs. 768-5-4) and that of an unpassed Assistant (Rs. 385) amounts to Rs. 255-8-11. This procedure has been questioned.

11. If the allowance of Rs. 175 granted to officers who pass the Higher Standard is regarded as part of the *pay proper* of a passed Assistant and not as a special allowance, the practice at present obtaining in this Presidency, by which the acting allowance of an unpassed Assistant acting as Head Assistant is limited to Rs. 200 per mensem, is contrary to Article 125 (i) of the Civil Service Regulations.

12. The Accountant-General also points out that in calculating the allowances admissible to Assistants and Head Assistants when acting as Sub-Collector, it has been usual to treat the Rs. 175 as part of the *pay proper* of a passed Assistant.

13. In view of this diversity of practice he suggests that the best course would be to drop the view of a "Special allowance" and to regard the Rs. 385, Rs. 560 and Rs. 768-5-4 as the *pay* (as defined in Civil Service Regulations) of unpassed and passed Assistants and Head Assistants respectively.

14. Under these circumstances I am directed to request that the sanction of the Government of India may, with reference to Rule 5 (i) of Chapter 79 of the Civil Account Code, be accorded to the change in the present practice proposed by the Accountant-General.

J. F. PRICE,
Chief Secretary.

5. But Extract Minutes of Consultation, dated 3rd September 1839, No. 1114, Revenue Department, declared the allowance of Rs. 175 paid to senior Assistants and Head Assistants to be "unquestionably a personal allowance" dependent on their "service and standing in the Revenue line," and "as such ought never to be included in calculating the fixed allowances of that office" (Assistant or Head Assistant). This view of the allowance was re-affirmed in G.O., dated 19th July 1880, No. 313, Political Department, which declared that "a passed Assistant acting as Head Assistant, as Sub-Collector, as Registrar of the High Court or as Collector would draw the special allowance of Rs. 175 in addition to the deputation allowance, therefore a passed Assistant Collector holding the appointment of Assistant Resident is equally entitled to the special allowance." The Secretary of State has also apparently concurred in this view (see Government of India letter, Finance and Commerce Department, dated 18th March 1881, No. 1184).

6. Accordingly, if the allowance of Rs. 175 is a special allowance granted in addition to acting allowance to passed Assistants, my office is perfectly correct in regarding the "pay" of a Head Assistant as consisting of pay proper Rs. 593-5-4 plus a special allowance of Rs. 175 granted in consideration of having passed a certain examination, and Rs. 200 is all that is admissible to an Assistant Collector who is acting as Head Assistant, but who has not passed the Higher Standard examination.

7. On the other hand, it is also the established practice to grant a passed Assistant, who is acting as Sub-Collector, a salary of Rs. 964-7-1 calculated as follows: pay Rs. 560 plus acting allowance of two-thirds of Rs. 1,166-10-8—Rs. 560 or Rs. 404-7-1. From what I have said just above it would appear that such an officer ought to be allowed pay Rs. 385 plus an acting allowance of Rs. 521-1-9 (two-thirds of 1,166 $\frac{2}{3}$ —385) plus special allowance Rs. 175, or Rs. 1,081-1-9 in all. For similar reasons a Head Assistant should receive when Acting Sub-Collector Rs. 1,150-8-11 and not the Rs. 1,034-14-3 now allowed him.

8. Whatever view may be the correct one to take of the allowance, it seems to me altogether illogical to treat it as an allowance in the one case and as part of a consolidated pay in the other. I submit that the best course would be to drop the view of a "special allowance" and to regard the Rs. 385, Rs. 560 and Rs. 768-5-4 received by unpassed and passed Assistants and Head Assistants respectively as for all purposes "pay" as defined in the Civil Service Regulations.

9. Should the Madras Government consider that any change should be made in the present practice, I request that it may be pleased to move the Government of India in the matter, as I am, under Chapter 79, Rule 5 (1) of the Civil Account Code unable to reverse the established procedure of my office without the authority of the latter Government.

ORDER—dated 27th April 1893, No. 334, Public.

The Government of India will be addressed.

(True Extract.)

J. F. PRICE,
Chief Secretary.

To the Accountant-General.

LETTER—to the Secretary to the Government of India, Department of Finance and Commerce, dated Ootacamund, 27th April 1893, No. 335, Public.

I am directed to forward, for the orders of the Government of India, the accompanying copy of a letter from the Accountant-General, dated 16th February 1893, No. 456, regarding the nature of the allowance of Rs. 175 granted to Assistant Collectors on their passing the Second Standard examination.

2. The history of this allowance is as follows:—

In 1805, the salary of Assistant Collectors who had been six years in the service was fixed at 100 pagodas per mensem, and that of Assistants whose service was under that period at 50 pagodas per mensem.

3. In 1815, the Board of Revenue recommended that the salaries of such Head Assistants in the Revenue Department as had been actually resident in India for six years or upwards should be raised to 150 pagodas per mensem. The Government, however, considered that Assistants should not only have resided for six years in India but have been employed three years in the Revenue Department before being entitled to the increased salary. The proposal as thus modified was submitted for the approval of the Court of Directors in Revenue letter, dated 5th January 1816, and was approved by the Court in its despatch, dated 3rd September 1817.

This increase of 50 pagodas is the foundation of the present "passed Assistants' allowance."

4. In Revenue letter, dated 9th February 1836, No. 164, it was proposed to the Government of India, on the suggestion of the Board of Revenue, that the salary of Head Assistants under six years' standing and three years' service in the Revenue Department should be fixed at Rs. 4,200 per annum (Rs. 350 per mensem) in all districts and that the allowance of commission on extra revenues to Head Assistants should be abolished, an addition being made to the salary of the office in lieu of it, equal to the average or Rs. 2,500 per annum (Rs. 208-5-4 per mensem). This proposal was sanctioned by the Government of India in its letter, dated 29th February 1836, No. 13.

The salary of Head Assistants under six years' standing and three years' service in the Revenue Department was thus fixed at Rs. 6,700 per annum or Rs. 558-5-4 per mensem, and of those over six years' standing at Rs. 733-5-4 per mensem.

5. In 1839, it was decided by His Excellency the Governor in Council that the additional allowance of 50 pagodas (Rs. 175) per mensem enjoyed by Head Assistants to Collectors, being purely personal, should not be included in calculating the fixed allowance of the office of Head Assistant Collector.

6. On the abolition of the College of Fort St. George in July 1854 it was decided that Junior Civil servants should receive on first arrival in the country and after passing the qualification test in two languages a salary of 350 rupees, and while they remained in Madras 50 rupees as house-rent.

7. In the same year revised rules for the examination of Assistants were issued, and under these an Assistant who passed according to the Second Standard was permitted, if the Government saw fit, to draw the increased allowance of 50 pagodas per mensem, although he might not have served six years. This ruling was reproduced in the rules of 1862 and 1864.

8. In 1880, under the sanction of the Government of India conveyed in Mr. Jacob's letter, of the 1st June, No. 956, the house-rent allowance (Rs. 35) of Head Assistant and Assistant Collectors in this Presidency was consolidated with their pay. This fixed the emoluments of Assistants who had not completed the Second Standard examination at Rs. 385 per mensem, that of passed Assistants at Rs. 560, and that of Head Assistants at Rs. 768-5-4.

9. In the same year, a question arose as to whether a Civilian who held the appointment of Assistant Resident in Travancore should be permitted to draw the allowance of Rs. 175 in addition to the consolidated pay of his appointment (Rs. 600). His Excellency the Governor in Council held that the allowance could be drawn and this view was upheld by the Government of India and the Secretary of State—*vide* Finance and Commerce letter, dated 18th March 1881, No. 1184.

BUILDINGS AND ROADS.
CIVIL WORKS.

Govt. of {1894} Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS.

Dated May, 18th.

Recd.

Encl.

G.O., 18th May 1894, No. 1224 W.

MAY.

House-rent

Orders directing the refund of the excess — paid by the Head Assistant Collector, Coondapoor, over the limit of 10 per cent. of his salary and the recovery of rent at Rs. 70 per mensem from date of G.O., No. 903 W., dated 3rd April 1894.

27TH APRIL 1893, Nos. 334, 335, PUBLIC.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC DEPARTMENT.

READ—the following paper:—

From T. W. RAWLINS, Esq., Accountant-General, to the Chief Secretary to Government, dated Fort St. George, 16th February 1893, No. 456.

I have the honour to inform you that an unpassed Assistant Collector has, with reference to Article 125 (i) of the Civil Service Regulations, raised the question of the correctness of the reasoning of my office in reckoning his acting allowance as Head Assistant Collector. The established practice has been to allow such officers an acting allowance of only Rs. 200 a month, although two-thirds of the difference between Rs. 768-5-4, the pay of a Head Assistant, and Rs. 385, the pay of an unpassed Assistant Collector amounts to Rs. 255-8-11. The question depends upon the nature of the allowance of Rs. 175 per mensem which junior officers of the Madras Civil Service receive on passing the Second Standard examination.

2. As far as can be traced from the records of this office, Assistants and Head Assistants originally received Rs. 350 a month while under six years' service and Rs. 525 on attaining six years' standing, provided that they had served for a certain period in the Revenue Department. In addition Head Assistants received a commission on the revenue collections of their districts. For some years prior to 1836 this commission had averaged about Rs. 2,500 a year for each Head Assistant, taking the Madras Presidency as a whole. The Government of the day was, however, of the opinion that the commission system was objectionable, and in Extract Minutes of Consultation, dated 21st March 1836, No. 327, Revenue Department, ordered that in lieu of commission each Head Assistant should receive an increase of pay of Rs. 2,500 per annum or Rs. 208-5-4 per mensem. The pay of a Head Assistant under six years' service was thus raised to Rs. 558-5-4 and that of an officer of over six years' standing to Rs. 733-5-4, the pay of Assistants remaining as before.

3. After the system of examining Assistant Collectors by the Higher and Lower Standards had been introduced, the Government sanctioned in 1860 (G.O., dated 24th October 1860, No. 1551, Public) the payment to Assistants who had passed by the Higher Standard the increased allowance of 50 pagodas (Rs. 175) per mensem though they might not have been six years in the country. It was also laid down that no Assistant was eligible for promotion to the substantive appointment of Head Assistant Collector who had not passed by the Higher Standard (see paragraph 3 of the rules for the examination of Assistants, page 561, Board's Standing Orders, Maclean's edition). The only subsequent change has been the consolidation with pay of the house-rent of Rs. 35 (Rs. 50 when stationed at the Presidency Town) drawn by junior officers (G.O., dated 18th June 1880, No. 930, Public). The pay of an unpassed Assistant is now accordingly Rs. 385, of a passed Assistant Rs. 560, and of a Head Assistant Collector Rs. 768-5-4 per month.

4. If these sums are to be regarded as "pay" as defined in Articles 47 and 48 of the Civil Service Regulations and no portion as a special allowance, then the practice of my office in limiting the acting allowances of an unpassed officer acting as Head Assistant to Rs. 200 a month is opposed to Article 125 (i) of the Civil Service Regulations.

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Communicated to the Accountant-General.

(True Extract.)

(Signed)

J. F. PRICE,
Chief Secretary.

ORDER—dated 18th May 1894, No. 1224 W., Public Works.

It is clear from the papers supplied by the Public Department that the rent levied from the Head Assistant Collector, Coondapoor, for the Government building occupied by him has been incorrectly assessed, and that the rate should not have exceeded Rs. 76 per mensem, or 10 per cent. of the salary of the Acting Head Assistant Collector. The necessary adjustments will now be effected by the Executive Engineer. Up to the date of G.O., No. 903 W., dated 3rd April 1894, the rent will be taken at 10 per cent. of the occupant's salary, and the sums collected in excess of that amount will be refunded. From the date of G.O., No. 903 W., above quoted, rent will be recovered at the rate of Rs. 70 per mensem.

(True Extract.)

Under Secy. to Govt.; P.W.D.

To the Superintending Engineer, IV Circle.
„ other Superintending Engineers, for information.
„ the Examiner, Public Works Accounts.
„ the Revenue Department.
„ the Public „

Exd. C. A. Munisawmy.
Spere Copies

Public Works Department, which was issued on 16th November 1889, cannot properly be applied to the present case. The above circular, it is true, speaks only of house allowance; but it is observed that clause II (a), section 28, chapter XI of the Public Works Code, which was issued in 1892 and which therefore must be considered to have superseded the Accountant-General's circular quoted above, refers only to *Presidency house-rent*. In the present case although the Head Assistant Collector says that his pay of Rs. 760 includes a house allowance of Rs. 35, it is not in reality so, as all Acting Head Assistant Collectors draw that amount as their salary, and the term "salary" as defined in the Civil Service Regulations does not include house-rent.

(A true Copy and Extract.)

(Signed) L. M. WYNCH,
Secretary.

Mis. No. 1068, Revenue.

Transferred to the Public Works Department.

FORT ST. GEORGE,
12th March 1894.

(Signed) L. E. BUCKLEY,
Ag. Under Secy. to Govt.

From the Examiner of Public Works Accounts, dated 28th March 1894,
No. 1161 D.

Accountant-General's (Public Works Department) Circular No. 27 of 1889 is an interpretation of the previous code ruling on the subject, and as the example given in it has been embodied in the present ruling, it is clearly not superseded by the latter.

2. It is evident from the circular that the rule applies to all house allowances paid to an officer and is not restricted to Presidency house-rent.

No. 1633 C.

Referred to the Revenue Department for decision whether the Board of Revenue is correct in stating that Rs. 760 is the salary of an Acting Head Assistant Collector and does not include any house allowance. Otherwise the Examiner's interpretation of rule II (a), paragraph 28, chapter XI, Public Works Code, will affect the rent to be recovered from other Head Assistant Collectors occupying Government quarters.

11th April 1894. (Signed) J. PENNYCUICK, Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Govt., P.W.D.

R. No. 792, Revenue.

Transferred to the Public Department.

OOTACAMUND,
23rd April 1894.

(Signed) E. GIBSON,
Ag. Secy. to Government.

No. 874, Public.

Copies of the marginally-noted Proceedings will be furnished to the Public Works Department.

G.O., No. 930, Public, dated 18th June 1880.

" " 334-5 " " 27th April 1893.

" " 559 " " 19th July "

It will be seen from the orders quoted in paragraph 8 of letter, dated 27th April 1893, No. 335, Public, that the house-rent of Head Assistant and Assistant Collectors was in 1880 consolidated with their pay.

OOTACAMUND,
3rd May 1894.

(Signed) J. F. PRICE,
Chief Secretary.

ENCLOSURES.

Read—the following papers:—

G.O., dated 18th June 1880, No. 930, Public.

Read—the following papers:—

From S. JACOB, Esq., Officiating Under Secretary to the Government of India, Department of Finance and Commerce, to the Director-General of the Post Office of India, dated Fort William, 17th February 1880, No. 842.

With reference to your note, No. 8526, dated 10th January 1880, I am directed to state that the house-rent allowance of Rs. 35 a month which Mr. H. G. Turner enjoys as a Covenanted Assistant Collector in the Madras Presidency should be treated as part of his pay and taken into calculation in determining his salary as Officiating Postmaster-General, Madras.

Copy forwarded to the Government of Madras with reference to the letter from that Government, No. 234, dated 2nd February 1880, and with the request that the Government of India may be informed whether there is any, and if so what, advantage in keeping up the existing nominal distinction between the house-rent and the pay of Assistant Collectors in the Madras Presidency.

(By Order, &c.)

(Signed) S. JACOB,
Offg. Under Secy. to the Govt. of India.

No. 353.

Ordered that the following reply be sent.

(Signed) B. DAVIDSON,
Chief Secretary.

To the Secretary to the Government of India, Department of Finance, dated Fort St. George, 6th March 1880, No. 354.

With reference to your letter, No. 842, dated the 17th February 1880, I am directed to intimate that there is no advantage in keeping up the distinction between house-rent and pay of Assistant Collectors in this Presidency, and that His Grace the Governor in Council is of opinion that it would be far better to amalgamate it with the pay in all cases of Civilians.

(Signed) B. DAVIDSON,
Chief Secretary.

From S. JACOB, Esq., Officiating Under Secretary to the Government of India, Department of Finance and Commerce, to the Chief Secretary to Government, dated Simla, 1st June 1880, No. 956.

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter, No. 354, dated 6th March 1880, and, in reply, to say that, with reference to the opinion therein expressed by His Grace the Governor of Fort St. George in Council, viz., that there is no advantage in keeping up the distinction now maintained between the house-rent allowance and pay of Assistant Collectors in Madras, and having regard to the remarks contained in Secretary of State's Despatch, No. 110, dated 9th April 1878, the Governor-General in Council is pleased to decide that the house-rent allowance of Assistant and Head Assistant Collectors in Madras shall in future be consolidated with their pay.

Order—dated 18th June 1880, No. 930, Public.

Communicated to the Revenue Department and to all Collectors.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) B. DAVIDSON,
Chief Secretary.

No 8. 100
From the Principal Superintendent
Kistna
L. P. S.

18TH MAY 1894, No. 1224 W., PUBLIC WORKS.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

Buildings and Roads.
Civil Works.

READ—again the following papers:—

G.O., dated 2nd January 1884, No. 3 W., Public Works.

G.O., dated 15th February 1894, No. 426 W., Public Works.

Read—the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue (Land Revenue), dated 29th January 1894, Mis. No. 413:—

Read—G.O., dated 11th January 1894, No. 68, Revenue.

Resolution—dated 29th January 1894, Mis. No. 413.

Communicated to the Collector of South Canara.

2. The Board does not understand why the house-rent should in any case be more than 10 per cent. of the Head Assistant Collector's total pay. Rule II (a) of section 28, chapter XI of the Government of India Public Works Code, applies only to special Presidency house allowances.

(A true Extract.)

(Signed) W. S. MEYER,
Secretary.

Endorsement thereon in the Revenue Department, dated 2nd February 1894.

Transferred to the Public Works Department.

Order—dated 15th February 1894, No. 426 W., Public Works.

Recorded with the remark that the rent recovered from the Head Assistant Collector, Coondapoor, was assessed under circular from the Accountant-General, Public Works Department, No. 27, dated 16th November 1889, a copy of which will be furnished to the Board of Revenue.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) O. V. BODDY, Major, R.E.,
Under Secy. to Govt., P.W.D.

G.O., dated 3rd April 1894, No. 903 W., Public Works.

READ—also the following papers:—

Proceedings of the Board of Revenue (Land Revenue), dated 5th March 1894, Mis. No. 1177.

Read—G.O., dated 20th February 1894, Mis. No. 736, Revenue.

Resolution—dated 5th March 1894, Mis. No. 1177.

Communicated to the Collector of South Canara.

2. With reference to the remarks of the Public Works Department, the Board begs to point out to Government that the circular from the Accountant-General,