

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT.

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Resolution of the Government of India, Finance and Commerce Department, dated Simla, the 19th October 1894, No. 5123-P.

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Despatch from Her Majesty's Secretary of State for India, No. 162 (Financial), dated the 13th September 1894.

In your letter, dated the 24th of July, No. 193, your Excellency proposes that, in a colony where the standard of currency is gold, leave allowances shall be payable at the rate of 18d. per rupee; and that, when officers take leave to the colonies in consequence of a medical certificate recommending leave out of India, they shall be admitted to the benefit of the prescribed minimum absentee allowance, the sterling minimum being applied in colonies of which the standard of currency is gold.

2. Having considered in Council your Excellency's recommendations, I approve them, and authorise you to issue orders accordingly.

Order—

Ordered, that copy, with copy of the despatch to which the above is a reply, be forwarded to all Local Governments and Administrations, to the Departments of the Government of India, to the Comptroller and Auditor General, to all Accountants General and Comptrollers, and to the Heads of Departments subordinate to this department for information.

(Signed) H. J. McINTOSH,
Offg. Under Secy. to the Govt. of India.

ENCLOSURE.

From the Government of India, Finance and Commerce Department, to the Secretary of State for India, dated 24th July 1894, No. 193.

We have recently had under consideration the following questions, which have been raised in regard to the payment of leave allowances in the colonies, namely:—

- (a) whether the leave allowances of officers who proceed on leave to the colonies should be paid to them at the privileged rate of exchange of 1s. 6d. the rupee, at which such allowances are now issued at the Home Treasury; and
- (b) whether the absentee allowances of officers who proceed on leave on medical certificate to the colonies should be subject to the minimum rates sanctioned in paragraphs 7 and 12 of Lord Cross' despatch No. 125, dated 25th June 1891; and, if so, whether the sterling or rupee minimum rates should apply.

2. By our resolution No. 3624-A., dated 18th August 1893, the privileged rate of 1s. 6d. was fixed, with Lord Kimberley's sanction, for "the payment of furlough allowances from the Home Treasury." We did not at the time of the issue of the resolution consider the case of officers taking leave to the colonies. The general practice, however, in regard to payments made in a colony, in which the standard of currency is gold, is to apply the rates laid down for payments at the Home Treasury, and we consider that, in accordance with the general practice, the 1s. 6d. rate for leave allowances should be equally and generally applicable to payments made in a colony where the standard of currency is gold. In this connection we would invite your attention to the fact that in the case of pensions it is the rule that payments in a colony where the standard of currency is gold are made at the privileged rate of 1s. 9d. the rupee.

3. Lord Kimberley in paragraph 15 of his Financial despatch No. 188, dated 21st September 1893, the general questions raised in which we have at present under our consideration, decided that the minimum rates of absentee allowances should be extended to officers taking leave to Europe. This decision was evidently given on the understanding that the concession had hitherto been confined to officers taking leave to England. Before the receipt of Lord Kimberley's despatch, however, we had ruled that the concession was applicable to the case of officers who take leave to Australia on account of ill-health, provided that the medical certificate on which the leave is granted should recommend leave out of India. We considered this ruling to be in accordance with the intention of the despatch of 25th June 1891, which sanctioned the minimum rates in the case of officers who were obliged "to seek the restoration of their health in a temperate climate," and we are still of opinion that the ruling is a reasonable one and should be upheld. Should our action in this matter be approved, we think that the sterling minimum rates should, in accordance with the general practice referred to in paragraph 2 of this despatch, apply to leave allowances paid in a colony in which the standard of currency is gold.

4. We request your permission to issue orders in accordance with the views indicated in the preceding paragraphs.

ORDER—dated 31st October 1894, No. 925, Financial.

Communicated to the Departments of the Secretariat and to all Heads of Departments.

(True Extract.)

J. F. PRICE,
Chief Secretary.

To the Departments of the Secretariat.
„ all Heads of Departments under the Chief Secretary.

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No. 2971 W. d. 17- November 1894

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