All communications should be addressed to the Secretary.

No. 1884 G.

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT,

GENERAL.

To

The Secretary to the Government of Madras,

Public Works Department.

Simla, the 3rd July 1895.

Sir,

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter No.1309 W., dated the 1st June 1895, in which the Government of Madras recommend, for the reasons therein stated, that the sanction of the Secretary of State may be obtained to the retention of the services of Mr.H.Irwin, C.I.E., Consulting Architect, after the completion of his 55th year, on the 21st January 1896, and to the grant to him of the rank of Chief Engineer 2nd class from the 1st April of the present year.

2. In reply I am directed to state that His Excellency the Governor General in Council, while recognizing the good service rendered by Mr. Irwin, and after fully considering the arguments urged by the Government of Madras in favour of retaining him in his present appointment, regrets in view of the existing rules regarding retirement at the age of 55, and of the stringent orders passed by the Secretary of State against making exceptions to the rule, that it is impossible to make the recommendation proposed. Mr. Irwin must therefore under the circumstances be required

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to retire in accordance with the rules on completing 55 years of age.

3. Under these circumstances, and also considering the terms on which the appointment held by Mr. Irwin was sanctioned which are quoted in the margin, the Government of India do not consider it necessary or advisable to apply for an increase of sanction to the pay of the post, so as to raise it to that of a Chief Engineer.

x That the appointment shall be open to an officer of any rank below that of Chief Engineer and should the officer be a Superintending Engineer or should he rise during such employment to the rank of Superintending Engineer, he should be treated as a Supernumerary and receive promotion in his turn, vide Public Works Department letters Nos. 1432 G., dated 19th September 1885, 1558 G., dated the 16th October 1885 and 720 G., dated 4th May 1886.

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Recd: 13.7.95

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

W. W. Bisset Lieut.Col.R.E.,

Secretary to the Govt. of India.

Documents accompanying:-

Nil.

Received 11/7/95

No. 1308-9 W d/ 1-6-95
35 W d/ 10-1-93
1075 W d/ 8-4-91
2725 W d/ 15-10-90
101 W d/ 16-1-90
3266 W d/ 18-11-89
4255 C d/ 23-C-9-89
1120 W d/ 26-4-89

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for orders
25/7/95

P.W.D

Note for His Excellency the Governor:—

I think the Govt: of India might be asked to reconsider their refusal to grant Mr. Irwin the rank of Chief Engineer; what is asked is not to raise the pay of the post to that of a Chief Engineer but to grant this rank and pay to Mr. Irwin personally.

2. I did not much expect that the extension of service would be granted, but the refusal of the personal concession seems harsh and the expense would fall entirely on Provincial Funds.

CHNB for W
17/7/95

I was doubtful as to the concession of extension of service - and as to the other point - I think India may be asked to re-consider their decision - They ought to grant this if it is explained that it is intended as a personal concession to Mr. Irwin, & not an increase of the pay of the post - they may be disposed to view it favourably.

W
18 July

Note.

This note was drafted by W. on tour.

CHNB
17/7/95

H.C.

Refusal of G. of I. to extend
the Irwin currency

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

No. 1819 W dy 23rd July 1895

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

READ the following

Letter from the Govt. of India (H.E. No. 1884 G dy 3rd July 95)

Ordered that the Government of India be again addressed.

(H.E. No. 1820 W dy 23rd July 1895

To,

The Secretary to the
Government of India,
Public Works Dept.

Sir,

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter No. 1884 G dated 3rd July 1895 in which the orders of the Government of India are communicated in regard to the recommendations

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made by His Excellency the Governor in Council on behalf of Mr. H. Irwin, Consulting Architect to the Madras Government.

2. His Excellency in Council regrets that the Government of India deem it impossible to propose a relaxation of the 55 years' rule in Mr. Irwin's favor, but will not, in view of the stringent orders of the Secretary of State, press for a reconsideration of the decision come to in this matter. As regards Mr. Irwin's promotion, however, I am to express the hope of His Excellency the Governor in Council that the ~~meritorious~~ excellent services rendered by that officer may be allowed due weight, and that the proposal to grant him the rank and pay of Chief Engineer II class may, as recommended in my letter No. 1309 W dated 1st June 1895, be favorably entertained.

I am to say that it is not intended that the pay of the post of Consulting Architect shall be raised, but only that higher pay and rank shall be conferred on Mr. Irwin personally. The additional charge will I am to say fall entirely on Provincial Funds.

I have &c.,

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H.C.

Govt. Grants Commission

No. 1899-20 W.J. 23 - July 1895

Despatch sent out

to Delhi

If the Govt

consent of the

Secretary of State

just as you

request be sent to

the Punjab —

Send to Collectorate

JS

29-7-95

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GOVERNMENT HOUSE,
OOTACAMUND.

29 July 1895

My dear Burdett

Please send for reference

The Govt. of India's letter regarding
Innis's retirement of service. This
must be done as a personal matter

Yours sincerely

Trevelyan

C.R.W.

Please send me the letter
I will forward to Mr MacCarthy

A.O. Cords 30/7/95

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,
OOTACAMUND.

1 Aug 1895

My dear Burdett

Thanks for the Innis file.

which I return with letter to India
passed by H.E. the Govt.

Yours sincerely

Trevelyan

C.R.W.

Cords
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Copy for H.E.

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C.A.O. Please send this letter with the documents mentioned & Mr. Lane Carter's pass then in the accompanying envelope.

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Sent 31 July 97

The letter is at the address. It will be called up.

K.S.
30 July 95.

Yes please. and also one. Letter for Mr Mac Carthy to be sent immediately there is a peon to spare

C.A.S.

30/7/95

D.W.

Papers since received from Madras submitted.

K.S.
31 July 95.