

Public Works (1897) Department.

G.O., No. 34496

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[Despatch Abstract.]

Exchange Compensation Allowance: Govt of India
letter on the subject of the enforcement of Rule
XIII of the new rules for the grant of — in cer-
tain cases, Comd^g to officers of the P.W.D.

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DECEMBER.

Government of India letter on the subject of the enforcement of rule XIII of the new rules for the grant of — in certain cases, communicated to officers of the Public Works Department.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

General.
Establishment.

READ—the following paper:—

From G. H. D. WALKER, Esq., Under Secretary to the Government of India, Public Works Department (General), to the Secretary to the Government of Madras, Public Works Department, dated Calcutta, 23rd November 1897, No. 3108 G.

In forwarding copy of Finance and Commerce Department Resolution, No. 4217-Ex., dated 21st September 1897, I am directed to say that the intention of the orders is that, in the case of persons appointed in India, whose salary is under Rs. 400 a month and who have been admitted to exchange compensation allowance under the rules * of 1893, any increase of pay falling due for payments subsequent to 1st April 1897 shall be taken in reduction of the exchange compensation allowance drawn on the 1st April 1897 on the pay of the previous month. This reduction shall take effect from the 1st September 1897, if the adjustment was not previously made.

* Government of India, Finance and Commerce Department, Resolution No. 3624 A, dated 18th August 1893.

† Government of India, Finance and Commerce Department, Resolution No. 2422-Ex., dated 31st May 1897.

Should such persons be hereafter declared eligible under the rules † of 1897, their pay and allowances will be re-adjusted and drawn in full on that basis.

2. In the case of persons similarly situated but drawing salaries of Rs. 400 a month and over, no adjustment will, as a rule, be made at present; but, in the event of their being hereafter declared ineligible for exchange compensation allowance under the rules of 1897, any increase of pay falling due after 1st April 1897 will be similarly taken in reduction of the allowance with effect from a date not later than 1st September 1897. Such officers should be warned of this intention, and of its effect, in the event of their pay being increased.

3. Those persons drawing salaries of Rs. 400 a month and above, in regard to whose claims there is, in the opinion of the head of the department, a reasonable doubt, should be dealt with in the same manner as persons drawing salaries under Rs. 400, as explained in paragraph 1.

4. The orders now circulated will not, for the present, be applied to non-pensionable subordinates employed on State and Companies' railways open to traffic.

ENCLOSURE.

RESOLUTION of the Government of India, Finance and Commerce Department, dated Simla, 21st September 1897, No. 4217-Ex.

Read—

Resolution by the Government of India, Finance and Commerce Department, No. 2422-Ex., dated the 31st May 1897, and rule XIII of the revised rules for the grant of exchange compensation allowance promulgated therewith, which runs as follows:—

XIII. These rules shall come into force with effect from the 1st of April 1897, provided that officers to whom exchange compensation would not be admissible under these rules but who have been admitted to it under the rules previously in force, will continue to draw it to the extent of the salaries they were drawing in the 1st of April 1897; but any increase in their salary after that date will be taken in reduction and ultimately in extinction of the claim to the allowance.

Resolution.—The orders contained in paragraph 12 of the above resolution directed that rule XIII, so far as it provides for the withdrawal of the exchange compensation allowance from officers who have been admitted to it under past rules, would not be brought into force until the lists (a) of offices in which European qualifications are held to be indispensable and (b) of services and departments in which a proportion of Europeans is held to be indispensable should have been considered and determined. When these orders were issued, it was anticipated that the lists would be prepared and approved within a period of three months from the date of issue of the resolution. More than that period has, however, already elapsed, and it is now evident that it will not be possible to finally settle the lists for some time.

2. His Excellency the Governor-General in Council considers it undesirable to postpone any longer the operation of the orders of the Secretary of State, and accordingly directs that the rule be brought into force at once in cases of officers who were appointed in India and whose salary is less than Rs. 400 a month, inasmuch as they, as a general rule, will not fulfil the conditions required to entitle them to the allowance, and also in all other cases in which the head of the department or office in which the officer serves considers that there is reasonable doubt whether the officer will be eligible under the new rules. No recoveries need be made of amounts passed in respect of any salary for the month of August 1897 or earlier months; but it must be understood that all amounts drawn for subsequent months will be subject to re-adjustment under rule XIII, if the officer concerned is finally declared ineligible.

3. The Governor-General in Council takes this opportunity to explain that the intention of rule XIII is to continue to officers who have been drawing exchange compensation allowance under the old rules, but are not entitled to it under the new exchange compensation allowance at the rate fixed quarterly by the Comptroller-General, in respect of the salary which they were drawing on the 1st April 1897, such allowance being subject to reduction to the extent of any increase of salary on or after 1st April 1897, so as to be gradually absorbed in such increase.

Order.—Ordered, that the foregoing resolution be circulated to all Local Governments and Administrations; to departments of the Government of India; and to heads of departments subordinate to the Financial department.

Ordered also, that it be communicated to the Comptroller and Auditor General, and to all Accountants-General and Comptrollers, for information and guidance.

(Signed) J. F. FINLAY,
Secretary to the Government of India.

ORDER—No. 3449 W., dated 9th December 1897.

Communicated to officers of the Public Works Department in continuation of G.O., No. 2950 W., dated 21st October 1897.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) W. B. DEWINTON,
Ag. Secretary to Government.

To the Chief Engineer for Irrigation.
" the Consulting Engineer for Railways.
" Superintending Engineers.
" the Superintending Engineer on Special duty.
" the Consulting Architect to Government.
" the Executive Engineer, Light-house division.
" the Examiner, Public Works Accounts.
" the Examiner, Railway Accounts.

Exd. T. K. Narayana Aiyangar.

Public Works (1897) Department.

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Order

Communicated
to the Officer of the P.W.D.
in continuation of No.
29504 of 21-01-1897.

No. 31088

Dated 23rd November 1897

Received 3.12.97

Enclosures One

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SUBJECT.

Exchange compensation allowance
for winding Resolution 4217-54.
of 21.9.97 directing that Rule
XIII of the revised rules
for the grant of —
be brought into force in the
case of certain officers
from certain dates.

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No. 3108 G.

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA.
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.
GENERAL.

To

THE GOVERNMENTS OF MADRAS AND BOMBAY, PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT,
GENERAL AND RAILWAY BRANCHES.
THE GOVERNMENTS OF BENGAL, THE NORTH-WESTERN PROVINCES AND OUDH, AND
THE PUNJAB.
THE GOVERNMENT OF BURMA, PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT, GENERAL AND RAIL-
WAY BRANCHES.
THE CHIEF COMMISSIONERS OF THE CENTRAL PROVINCES, ASSAM, AND COORG.
THE RESIDENT AT HYDERABAD.
THE AGENTS TO THE GOVERNOR GENERAL FOR RAJPUTANA, CENTRAL INDIA, AND
BALUCHISTAN.
THE ACCOUNTANT GENERAL, PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.
THE DIRECTOR GENERAL OF MILITARY WORKS.
THE DIRECTOR GENERAL OF RAILWAYS.
THE CONSULTING ENGINEERS TO THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA FOR RAILWAYS,
CALCUTTA, LUCKNOW, AND ASSAM.
THE DIRECTOR GENERAL OF TELEGRAPHS.

Calcutta, the 23rd November 1897.

SIR,

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In forwarding copy of Finance and Commerce Department Resolution No. 4217 Ex., dated 21st September 1897, I am directed to say that the intention of the orders is that, in the case of persons appointed in India, whose salary is under Rs. 400 a month and who have been admitted to exchange compensation allowance under the rules,*

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exchange compensation allowance drawn on the 1st April 1897 on the pay of the previous month. This reduction shall take effect from the 1st September 1897, if the adjustment was not previously made.

Should such persons be hereafter declared eligible under the rules † of 1897, their pay and allowances will be re-adjusted and drawn in full on that basis.

† Government of India, Finance and Commerce Department, Resolution No. 2422 Ex., dated 31st May 1897.

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2. In the case of persons similarly situated, but drawing salaries of Rs. 400 a month and over, no adjustment will, as a rule, be made at present; but, in the event of their being hereafter declared ineligible for exchange compensation allowance under the rules of 1897, any increase of pay falling due after 1st April 1897 will be similarly taken in reduction of the allowance with effect from a date not later than 1st September 1897. Such officers should be warned of this intention, and of its effect, in the event of their pay being increased.

3. Those persons drawing salaries of Rs. 400 a month and above, in regard to whose claims there is, in the opinion of the Head of the Department, a reasonable doubt, should be dealt with in the same manner as persons drawing salaries under Rs. 400, as explained in paragraph 1.

4. The orders now circulated will not, for the present, be applied to non-pensionable subordinates employed on State and Companies' Railways open to traffic.

* [5. This order supersedes that conveyed in Public Works Department No. 1885 G., dated 15th July 1897, approving the issue of a circular by you on the same subject.]

[*] To Accountant General, Public Works Department, only.

I have the honour to be,

SIR,

Your most obedient Servant,

G. H. D. Walker

Under Secretary.

Documents accompanying.

Finance and Commerce Department Resolution
No. 4217 Ex., dated 21st September 1897.

To The Secy to the Govt of Madras
Public Department

RESOLUTION.

Simla, the 21st September 1897.

READ—

Resolution by the Government of India, Finance and Commerce Department, No. 2422-Ex., dated the 31st May 1897, and Rule XIII of the revised rules for the grant of exchange compensation allowance promulgated therewith, which runs as follows :—

XIII. These Rules shall come into force with effect from the 1st of April 1897, provided that officers to whom exchange compensation would not be admissible under these rules, but who have been admitted to it under the rules previously in force, will continue to draw it to the extent of the salaries they were drawing on the 1st of April 1897; but any increase in their salary after that date will be taken in reduction and ultimately in extinction of the claim to the allowance.

RESOLUTION.—The orders contained in paragraph 12 of the above Resolution directed that Rule XIII, so far as it provides for the withdrawal of the exchange compensation allowance from officers who have been admitted to it under past rules, would not be brought into force until the lists (a) of offices in which European qualifications are held to be indispensable and (b) of services and departments in which a proportion of Europeans is held to be indispensable should have been considered and determined. When these orders were issued it was anticipated that the lists would be prepared and approved within a period of three months from the date of issue of the Resolution. More than that period has, however, already elapsed, and it is now evident that it will not be possible to finally settle the lists for some time.

2. His Excellency the Governor General in Council considers it undesirable to postpone any longer the operation of the orders of the Secretary of State, and accordingly directs that the Rule be brought into force at once in cases of officers who were appointed in India and whose salary is less than Rs. 400 a month, inasmuch as they, as a general rule, will not fulfil the conditions required to entitle them to the allowance, and also in all other cases in which the Head of the Department or office in which the officer serves considers that there is reasonable doubt whether the officer will be eligible under the new rules. No recoveries need be made of amounts passed in respect of any salary for the month of August 1897 or earlier months; but it must be understood that all amounts drawn for subsequent months will be subject to readjustment under Rule XIII, if the officer concerned is finally declared ineligible.

3. The Governor General in Council takes this opportunity to explain that the intention of Rule XIII is to continue to officers who have been drawing exchange compensation allowance under the old rules, but are not entitled to it under the new, exchange compensation allowance at the rate fixed quarterly by the Comptroller General, in respect of the salary which they were drawing on the 1st April 1897, such allowance being subject to reduction to the extent of any increase of salary on or after 1st April 1897, so as to be gradually absorbed in such increase.

ORDER.—Ordered, that the foregoing Resolution be circulated to all Local Governments and Administrations; to Departments of the Government of India; and to Heads of Departments subordinate to the Financial Department.

Ordered also, that it be communicated to the Comptroller and Auditor General, and to all Accountants General and Comptrollers, for information and guidance.

J. F. FINLAY,

Secretary to the Government of India.

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA.
FINANCE AND COMMERCE
DEPARTMENT.

RESOLUTION.

No. 4217-Ex.

Dated Simla, the 21st September 1897.

Enforcement of Rule XIII of the new rules for
the grant of exchange compensation allow-
ance in certain cases.

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