Public Works (1899) Department.

G.O., No. 3241 & 42

Dated 4 Dec 1899.

[Despatch Abstract.]

Local allowance. Ordered that the G. of I be addressed on the subject of the grant of a — to Sub-Conductor Hearne & on special duty in connection with the Shekarey Ghat Road Survey.

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Letter to the Govt of India

[P. W. 2. 500—27-10-99.]

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READ the following:—

Letter from the Govt of India P.W.D. # 1128 G.J. Aug. 99.
Encl. from the Supdg. Engr N Circle .. 5842 W 16. Oct. 99

Circulated to H.E. the Governor

ORDER.

No. 3241 W 14-12-99.

A.G.H. 5.12.99

Ordered that the Govt of India be addressed.

Dft 16/12/99

(A.E.N. 3242 W 14-12-99)

to the Jt Secy: to the Govt of India P.W.D.

Sir,

I am directed to advert to correspondence ending with letter from the Govt of India No 1128 G.J. 1st August 1899 and to request that, under the circumstances now reported, the application for the grant of a local allowance to Sub Conductor Hearne may be favourably considered.

A.G.H. 2 Dec 99

[P. W. 4. 1,000—18-7-99]

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2. I am to explain that the object of the proposed local allowance to the Sub Conductor is not, as stated ~~by him~~ in para 1 of letter from the Govt of India under reference, to ~~make up to~~ compensate him for the ~~Sub~~ Subdivisional allowance which he loses in ~~suffered in consequence of~~ his present appointment but to ~~compensate him~~ meet for the high cost of living at Yercaud.

Attention was made in para 2 of this Government letter No 625 W dy 4. July 889 to the fact that the Sub-Conductor did not even draw Subdivisional allowance.

The meaning sought to be conveyed by that statement was not that this Government experienced any difficulty in constituting the survey into a Subdivisional Charge, but that the need for the grant of the local allowance became the more emphasized.

In making that statement this Government did not intend to convey the impression that it was beyond its power to make the Chief Survey a Subdivisional charge, but merely mentioned the fact in order to emphasize the need for the local allowance

3. The Subdivisional allowance and the local allowance are, so far as this Government is aware, intended to compensate for different conditions of service. It would, it is considered, be incorrect to compensate Sub-Conductor Pearne for the expensiveness of his station by granting him an allowance which is intended as a remuneration for the relatively greater responsibilities entailed on Upper subordinates in charge of Subdivisions. I am further to state that when the road now being surveyed is under construction it will probably be constituted into a Subdivision; the usual allowance will then be admissible to the

Sub-

Subconductor.

4. The Rate of local allowance recommended by the Supdg. Engineer was 20 per cent of pay; but His Government is of opinion that the requirements of the case would be met by fixing the allowance at Rs. 30. Having regard to the explanation now afforded, I am to request a favourable consideration of the application made in this Govt letter No-825 dy 14. July 1899.

amount which is the boat rate drawn by the Dep. Tahsildar at the same station

2 May 1

I have, &c

Hll 27/11/99
for C
H.G.H. 5.12.99

Draft 16/12/99

C.L.

Note the Supdg. Engr's endt and endeavours dwell on the inadequacy of the proposal of the Govt of India. It is accordingly proposed to renew the application made in Govt 825 dy 14.7.99.

Hll 27/11/99
for C

2 May 1

Pwd
No 8711.

D.W.

In answer to the enquiry whether the grant to Subordinate Staff, of sub-divisional allowance, will meet the requirements of the case, the S.E. IV Circle gives a relative statement and states that when the road is under construction, it will probably become a sub-divisional charge. He accordingly recommends the grant to the Subordinate staff of 20 per cent of pay as local allowance.

Orders are requested as to whether this recommendation may be accepted and a letter to India drafted accordingly.

It will be observed from letter to India No-825 dy 14 July 1899 that the original application, based on the recommendation of the Supdg. Engineer, was

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2 May 1

* It is now being surveyed by.

for the grant of a local allowance of Rs. 30 only.

The Supdg: Engineer's present recommendation is for the grant of 20 percent of salary pay.

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Whether the rate should be that now recommended is the Question.

There will it is submitted, be time enough for Subdivisional allowance being granted - when the need arises.

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1/11/99

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Hdl
11-11-99

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1/11/99

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Public Works (189) Department.

CURRENT No. 8711

From The Supdg. Engineer 4th Circle.

Order

No. 584/W.

Dated 16th October 1899

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Shevaroy Ghaut Road Survey -
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J. Santry for 20.10.99

SDW

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1/11/99

WDW
21/11/99

Thanks Accd 3/11/99

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No 101 Yercaud 22d September 1899

To

The Executive Engineer

Salem Division

Reference. Your letter No 1609/5 dated 18th Sept 1899.

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In a few months hence when this road work is put in hand this will be made a Sub. Division then the grant of a double allowance will be inadmissible.

3 I most respectfully beg to submit that the work here is much harder than that of an ordinary Sub. Division in the plains. As you, the Supdtt. and Chief Engineer have been over the ground, you can realize the difficulties we have to contend with. Tracing a line for a road through a dense jungle crammed with thorns, and taking levels on a hill full of boulders with side slopes of 50° to 70° is no easy matter, besides the fatigue of getting to and from the work.

Further I beg to point out that owing to house rent here being so high all the other Government officials, the Deputy Tahsildar and his staff, also the Serjt Instructor, all provided with Government quarters for which they are charged a nominal rent, again I beg to point out the Tahsildar is granted a hill allowance

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No. Local allowance can be drawn with Sub-Divisional allowance. The Subordinates of the Lighthouse Dept draw both.

of ¼ of his salary. Vide his letter already submitted. I most respectfully request that the Government may be pleased to grant me at least ⅓ of my salary to meet the extra cost of living for which I shall feel grateful.

I beg &c

(Signed) S. Hearne

Sub Engineer on special duty

No 485 dated 8th October 1899

Copy. Submitted to the Supg Engineer 4th Circle with reference to his No 276/51 dated 4th ultimo, (herewith returned with enclosure)

2 In the circumstances brought to notice the grant of a Sub-Divisional allowance will not meet the requirements of the case.

3 All the Government officials reside in quarters constructed by Government. The Deputy Tahsildar gets a local allowance of ¼ of his salary and pays Rs 15 per mensem (or 10 per cent of his pay) for occupying Government quarters.

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4 The Sub. Engineer has, at times to go into camp to be near his work, but as a large portion of it was within 5 miles of his Head Quarters he could only draw double horse allowance.

5 It is recommended that Sub. Conductor S. Hearne be granted at least $\frac{1}{5}$ of his pay as local allowance.

(Signed) G. B. Lambert
Executive Engineer
Salem Division

Note. These papers have been delayed owing to their being missent by post.

No. $\frac{584}{W}$ dated 16th October 1899

Copy. Forwarded to the Chief Engineer P. W. D. with reference to his No. 3678 C. dated 2° September 1899. E

The undersigned agrees with the Executive Engineer in considering that the grant of a Sub. divisional allowance would not meet the requirements of the case. As pointed out by Mr. Hearne when the road is under construction it will probably become a Sub. divisional charge, and then there would be nothing to compensate the Sub. Divisional officer for the extra cost of living on the Hills. The grant of a local allowance amounting to 20% increase of pay is recommended.

Asst
Supg Engineer 4/circle

12.t.99

P. W. (1899.) Department.

CURRENT No. 6611

C/No. 36786 d/ 2nd Sept 99.

Memo

Read C/No 6611

Re Sub Engr: Enclosure IV
which is requested to be so
good as to report whether
the grant, to Sub Conductors
Hearne, of a Subdivisional
allowance will meet the
requirements of the Case-

From The Govt of India

No. 1128 G.

Dated 1 August 99.

Received at Ootacamund 10-8-99.

Registered at Madras 12-8-99

Enclosures { Plans / Others } total.

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SUBJECT.

Sub-Conductor Hearne, Sub Engineer
Suggesting that the Shevaroy
Ghat Road Survey in which
— is engaged might
be considered a Subdivision
Charge under the Old Code
and thus admit the grant of
an allowance to him

29/8 30.8.99

2 Re S.E. IV cmte.

C.E.

Note

Re application for the grant
of a local allowance to Sub Conductor
Hearne was based on the fact that
the cost of living at Yercaud was very
much higher than in the plains. The
Ex. Engr had stated that the Sub-
Conductor did not even draw Sub-
divisional allowance and this fact
was adverted in the letter to Govt
to emphasize the need for granting
him the local allowance. It was not
it is submitted, thereby intended

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either that his Govt had definitely decided against Conductor's being a subdivision or that they would not do so should the local allowance be sanctioned. It is however necessary to have the Supdg. Engineer's view on the suggestion of the Govt of India and the proposed draft is submitted.

Sd/

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GOVERNMENT OF INDIA.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

GENERAL.

All communications should be addressed to the Secretary.

To

The Secretary to the Government of Madras,
Public Works Department.

Simla, the 1st August 1899.

Sir,

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter No.1825 W., dated 14th July 1899, submitting a proposal for the grant to Sub-Conductor Hearne, Sub Engineer on special duty at Yercaud in connection with the Shevaroy Ghaut Road Survey of a local allowance of Rs.30 per mensem retrospectively from 25th March 1898, the date on which he joined the work, so as to make up to him the loss of sub-divisional allowance he suffers in consequence of his present employment.

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2. I am to observe that if Sub-Conductor Hearne is the only or the senior officer employed on special duty in connection with the survey as would appear to be the case, it is not clear why the Government of Madras should not constitute the survey a sub-divisional charge under Public Works Department Code Volume I Chapter III paragraph 64, and so admit the grant of an allowance to him. Before considering the present proposal I am to suggest the

the above method of disposing of the case.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

G H Walker

Under Secy. to the Govt. of India.

Documents accompanying:- 42/6

Nil.

M.L.M.