

Public Works (1890) Department.

RAILWAY BRANCH.

G.O., No. 986 Ry.

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[Despatch Abstract.]

Rail. home trade returns. — Resolution of the Govt. of India transferring the compilation of — of the Bombay Presidency to the Director of Land Records and agriculture, communicated to the Consulting Engineer for Railways and to the Revenue Department.

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Compilation of Rail-borne Trade Returns of the Bombay Presidency transferred to the Director of Land Records and Agriculture.

No. 1472 OF 1890.

P. W. Department,
Railway.

Bombay Castle,
19th June 1890.

Resolution of Government in the Revenue Department No. 3725 dated 29th May 1890 :—

"Letter from the Examiner of Railway Accounts No. 116 dated 17th January 1890:—

1890:—
 'I have the honour to request that the Local Government in the Revenue Department may be moved to accord sanction, with effect from 1st January 1890, to the grant of a personal allowance of Rs. 50 per mensem, as an addition to the salary of a member of the Accounts staff of my office for supervising the work done in connection with statistics of Rail-borne trade.

‘This service has been rendered hitherto without extra remuneration; but the labour involved, which has greatly increased under the revised scheme of registration introduced in April 1888, well merits recognition now by some pecuniary compensation, and I therefore submit the matter in the hope that the case will receive favourable consideration.

'This extra charge might be divided between the various Governments served by the establishment for recording statistics of Rail-borne traffic, but the largest share of the work appertains to this Presidency, and the proportions chargeable to other Governments should be small.

'The salary of the Accountant with this addition will be less than Rs. 250 a month, which is not to be exceeded in such circumstances under Section 89 (a) of the Civil Service Regulations.'

Memorandum from the Public Works Department of the Secretariat (Railway)
No. 195 dated 23rd January 1890—Transferring the paper for favourable consideration; and stating that the statistics of all the Rail-borne traffic are compiled in the Examiner's office under the supervision and control of the officer referred to in Colonel Moberly's letter, and that as there are branch offices at Ajmere, Dharwar, Secunderabad, Madras and Trichinopoly, his duties are very extensive and responsible, and that the small remuneration it is now proposed to give him is certainly not more than commensurate with his duties.

Memorandum from the Public Works Department of the Secretariat (Railway)
No. 459 dated 21st February 1890.

Letter from the Accountant General No. P.A.—35854 dated 13th March 1890:—

‘In submitting herewith letter No. L. F.—1241 dated the 14th of February 1890, from the Examiner of Guaranteed Railway Accounts, Bombay, with the proposition statement of establishment for the registration of Rail-borne Trade of the Bombay Presidency, which accompanied it, and in returning Government endorsement, Revenue Department, No. 1709 dated the 4th of March 1890, I have the honour to report that the present scale entered in the proposition statement is correct.

‘There is no audit objection to the personal allowance being sanctioned to the Accountant on his present emoluments; should his emoluments including this personal allowance go beyond Rs. 250 hereafter, the personal allowance will not then be admissible without the sanction of the Government of India.’

The Examiner has not, however, made a provision for the personal allowance in the budget for the current year, or in that for the next year. Attention is therefore invited to Rule 8 of Chapter 9 of the Civil Account Code, and the orders of the Government of India, embodied in Government Resolution, Financial Department, No. 1029 dated the 19th of March 1889, and it is suggested for the consideration of Government whether the charge should not have effect from the commencement of the next official year.

‘The statement required by Rule 6, Chapter 9 of the Civil Account Code, which has been furnished by the Examiner, is also herewith forwarded.

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'Should Government be pleased to sanction the personal allowance, the charge will be treated as an additional one against savings in the general grant under Scientific and other Minor Departments.

'It will be for Government to decide whether, if the personal allowance be sanctioned, the charge should be distributed between the various Governments served by the establishment or wholly paid by this Government. If it is to be distributed, the previous sanction of the Governments affected will be necessary.'

Memorandum from the Examiner of Railway Accounts No. L.T.-1346 dated 20th March 1890.

Letter from the Secretary to the Government of India, Revenue and Agricultural Department, Statistics, No. 16-c.—Stats., dated 27th January 1890—Stating that the Government of India has recently had under consideration the desirability of a closer association of the Department of Land Records and Agriculture with the subject of Inland Trade and the system under which the statistics are collected; observing that they are of opinion that the subject of Inland Trade Statistics should be dealt with by the Department of Land Records and Agriculture in all provinces alike; and expressing a desire that unless this Government had any serious objection to urge against it, the arrangement should be brought into effect at an early date.

Memorandum from the Director of Land Records and Agriculture No. 395 dated 13th March 1890.

Memorandum from the Examiner of Railway Accounts No. L.T.—56 dated 21st April 1890.

RESOLUTION.—The proposals made by the Director of Land Records and Agriculture to give effect to the orders of the Government of India are approved. Mr. Ozanne should formally take over from the Examiner of Railway Accounts charge of the office of Compiler of Rail-borne Trade Returns from the 1st July next, and should state what arrangement he proposes to make for the distribution of the annual and quarterly returns to public bodies, editors of newspapers and other Governments and Administrations.

2. The Public Works Department, Railway, should be requested to instruct the Railway authorities concerned to afford the Director every facility in carrying out the work of compiling the Trade Returns.

3. As under the arrangements now sanctioned the Accountant in the office of the Examiner of Railway Accounts will no longer be required to supervise the work of compiling the Trade Statistics, it is not necessary to grant him any personal allowance as recommended by Colonel Moberly."

RESOLUTION.—To be communicated to the Consulting Engineer for Railways and the Agents, Great Indian Peninsula, Bombay Baroda and Central India and Southern Mahratta Railways, with the request that every facility in carrying out the work of compiling the Trade Returns may be afforded to the Director of Land Records and Agriculture.

2. Copies of this Resolution should also be forwarded to the Local Governments and Administrations concerned and to the Manager of His Highness the Nizam's Guaranteed Railway Company for information.

H. O. SELBY,

Under Secretary to Government.

To

The Government of Madras.
The Government of Bengal.
The Government of the North-West Provinces and Oudh.
The Government of Punjab.
The Chief Commissioner, Central Provinces.
The Resident at Hyderabad.
The Manager, His Highness the Nizam's Guaranteed Railway Company.
(By endorsement No. 1479.)
The Consulting Engineer for Railways, Bombay.
The Agent, Great Indian Peninsula Railway Company.
The Agent, Bombay Baroda and Central India Railway Company.
The Agent and Chief Engineer, Southern Mahratta Railway Company.

By endorsement
Nos. 1473 to 1478.

No. 1473 of 1890.
P. W. Department, Railway.
Bombay, 19th June 1890.

Copy forwarded to the Secretary
to the Govt. of Madras.—

H. O. Selby
Under Secretary to Govt

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