

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

Railway.

Read the following paper:—

From the Consulting Engineer for Railways, dated Madras, 4th June 1890, No. 387.

From the Agent and Manager, Madras Railway Company, to the Consulting Engineer for Railways, dated Madras, 28th May 1890, No. 6313/579.

Adverting to G.O., dated 22nd October 1888, No. 847 R., Public Works, in which the sanction of the Government of India is conveyed to the maximum salary of the Traffic Manager being fixed at Rs. 1,364 per mensem, and to a minute of the Official Meeting and Stores Committee of 28th November 1889 in which it was resolved that this matter be represented to Government, and the Agent and Manager promised to address the Consulting Engineer thereon by letter, I have the honor to forward a communication from the Board of Directors and to request you to be good enough to submit the case for the reconsideration of the Government of India.

EXTRACT from a letter from the Board of Directors, No. 832, dated 18th April 1890.

The whole question in respect to the establishments of the several departments of the Railway was very carefully considered by the Board in the year 1887, and their views communicated to you in No. 786, dated 4th November of that year, and as, on the whole, a substantial saving was effected, it was assumed that their proposals would have been approved and sanctioned by the Government of India.

Mr. Moss was, in paras. 35 and 36 of the above letter, confirmed by the Board as Traffic Manager on Rs. 1,200, rising by biennial increments of Rs. 100 to a maximum of Rs. 1,500 a month, and in their No. 792, dated 24th February 1888, they approved, subject to the sanction of Government, of his appointment and salary taking effect from the 18th December 1886, the date of his predecessor's death.

The Government Consulting Engineer, in submitting the subject to Government, expressed himself in favor of the Board's proposals; and the Madras Government, in their Order No. 847 R., dated 22nd October 1888, directed that the same be forwarded for the favorable consideration of the Government of India.

The Company are absolutely bound to Mr. Moss under the agreement which was made with him in perfect good faith. The Board, therefore, trust that the Government of Madras, when forwarding the case, as you will request them to be good enough to do, for the reconsideration of the Government of India, will support their view that it would be unwise economy to restrict the maximum salary of the important office of Traffic Manager to the lower sum of Rs. 1,364, as proposed by the Government of India; and the Board further venture to hope that the Supreme Government will, under the circumstances, no longer object to the arrangement made by them. There was undoubtedly an inadvertence in entering into a covenant without the formal sanction of Government, which the Board much regret.

2. The Traffic Manager draws attention to the loss he has sustained under his present agreement by the curtailment of the privilege he formerly enjoyed of remitting a portion of his salary for the maintenance of his family at home. Mr. Moss writes:—

"The Board * * * appointed me as Traffic Manager on a commencing salary of Rs. 1,200 a month rising by biennial increments of Rs. 100 to Rs. 1,500.

"The Board when doing this sent out to India a new silver agreement for me to sign, and this agreement cancelled the sterling agreement under which I had served for eighteen years.

"My pay as Deputy Traffic Manager was Rs. 1,000 per mensem, and I was allowed under my sterling agreement to remit home for the support of my family £75 monthly.

"The effect of the silver agreement was to take away from me at once the increase of Rs. 200 a month granted to me on promotion to the office of Traffic Manager and for the years 1887 and 1888 my salary was really of less value to me than the salary paid to me for some years previously as Deputy Traffic Manager.

"The sum of Rs. 1,300 really gives me some Rs. 80 a month more than I drew as Deputy Traffic Manager when I have deducted the money I lose through my home remittance being reduced."

3. I am also to inquire when a decision of the Government of India may be expected with reference to the whole scheme for regulation of the establishments of the several departments of the Railway proposed by the Board in their letter No. 786, dated 4th November 1887.

Submitted to Government with reference to G.O., No. 847 R., dated 22nd October 1888, and for transmission to the Government of India.

2. With this office endorsement No. 105, dated 5th April 1888 (embodied in G.O., No. 847 R., dated 22nd October 1888), was submitted, for the consideration of the Government of India, the proposal of the Board of Directors, Madras Railway, to fix the salary of Mr. Moss, Traffic Manager, at Rs. 1,200 a month rising by biennial increments of Rs. 100 to a maximum of Rs. 1,500, the arrangement to take effect from 18th December 1886, the date of his predecessor's death. The Government of India, however, did not approve of the agreement and limited Mr. Moss' maximum salary to Rs. 1,364 per mensem. The Agent and Manager, by direction of his Board, now asks for a reconsideration of this decision.

3. In his communication now submitted, the Agent and Manager embodies an extract from letter No. 832, dated 18th April 1890, from his Board of Directors, in which it is explained that the agreement made by them, fixing Mr. Moss' salary as Traffic Manager at Rs. 1,200 rising by biennial increments of Rs. 100 to a maximum of Rs. 1,500 per mensem, was, by a much regretted oversight, entered into without receiving the formal sanction of Government. The Board consider that the Company is absolutely bound to Mr. Moss under the agreement, and request a reconsideration of the decision conveyed in G.O., No. 847 R., dated 22nd October 1888.

When Mr. Moss was appointed Traffic Manager he entered into a new silver agreement with the Board, cancelling the sterling agreement under which he previously served. This seriously affected his salary, as he was no longer able to send home remittances on the advantageous conditions he had hitherto enjoyed. Mr. Moss estimates that he was actually better off pecuniarily as Deputy Traffic Manager than as Traffic Manager prior to receipt of the first increment.

4. Mr. Moss has discharged the duties in the important post he occupies with credit to himself and advantage to the Company. During the three years he has been Traffic Manager the gross receipts of the line have increased by nearly 14½ lakhs of rupees, or 18·84 per cent. The punctuality of the train service has greatly improved under Mr. Moss' management, the number of trains late being now 3·87 per cent. per month against 8·66 per cent. in 1886.

5. The proposal to increase the maximum salary of Mr. Moss' appointment from Rs. 1,364 to Rs. 1,500 is recommended for the favorable consideration of the Government of India.

ORDER—dated 12th June 1890, No. 831 R., Public Works.

Ordered to be forwarded to the Government of India with the strong recommendation of the Governor in Council that the agreement entered into between the Board of Directors and Mr. Moss be confirmed.

(Here enter No. 832 R., dated 12th June 1890.)

(True Extract.)

(Signed) SIDNEY SMITH, Major, R.E.,
Under-Secy. to Govt., P.W.D.,
Railway Branch.

To the Consulting Engineer for Railways.
„ Examiner, Guaranteed Railway Accounts.

ENDORSEMENT—dated 12th June 1890, No. 832 R., Public Works.

Forwarded.

(By Order.)

(Signed) R. R. E. DRAKE-BROCKMAN, Lt.-Col., R.E.,
Ag. Joint Secy. to Govt., P.W.D.

Exd. J. Moses.
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RAILWAY.

Govt. of 1890 Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS.

Dated June, 12th.

Recd.

Encl.

G.O., 12th June 1890, Nos. 831 R.,
832 R.

JUNE.

Mr. Moss, Traffic Manager,
Madras Railway

Requesting sanction to the proposal for
increasing the maximum salary of — from
Rs. 1,364 to Rs. 1,500.

17TH OCTOBER 1890, No. 1518 R., PUBLIC WORKS.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

Railway.

Read again the following paper :—

G.O., dated 12th September 1890, Nos. 1354, 1355 R., Public Works.

Read also the following paper :—

From the Under-Secretary to the Government of India, Public Works Department
(General), to the Joint Secretary to the Government of Madras, Public
Works Department, Railway Branch, dated Simla, 30th September 1890,
No. 2678 G.

With reference to your docket, No. 1355 R., dated the 12th September 1890, on
the subject of increasing the maximum salary to Mr. Moss, I am directed to forward
a copy of this office No. 2254 G., dated the 20th August 1890, and to state that the
original was despatched to your address on the 20th August 1890.

ENCLOSURE.

From the Secretary to the Government of India, Public Works Department, to the Joint
Secretary to the Government of Madras, Public Works Department, Railway Branch,
dated 20th August 1890, No. 2254 G.

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your No. 831 R., of the 12th June 1890, and,
under the special circumstances of the case, to communicate the confirmation of the Government
of India to the proposal for increasing the maximum salary of the post of Traffic Manager,
Madras Railway, from Rs. 1,364 to Rs. 1,500 per mensem during the present incumbent's tenure
of office.

2. I am further to say that as the Board of Directors acknowledge and regret the irregular
procedure of entering into a covenant with Mr. Moss without first obtaining the formal sanction
of the Government of India to the proposed salary, no further notice will be taken of the matter,
but the Government of India trusts that such an error will not occur again.

3. I am also to request that this expression of the views of the Government of India may
be conveyed to the Board of Directors.

ORDER—dated 17th October 1890, No. 1518 R., Public Works.

Communicated to the Consulting Engineer for Railways with reference to Pro-
ceedings, No. 831 R., dated 12th June 1890, and to his endorsement, No. 588, dated
3rd September 1890.

(True Extract.)

Major, R.E.,
Under-Secy. to Govt., P.W.D.,
Railway Branch.

To the Consulting Engineer for Railways.
„ Examiner, Guaranteed Railway Accounts.

Exd. A. Aubert.
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RAILWAY.

Govt. of {1890} Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS.

Dated October, 17th

Recd.

Encl.

G.O., 17th Oct. 1890, No. 1518 R.

OCTOBER.

Mr. Moss, Traffic Manager,
Madras Railway

Confirmation of the Government of India
to the proposal for increasing the maximum
salary of —, communicated to the Consult-
ing Engineer for Railways.

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No. 1134
MADRAS RAILWAY,
AGENT AND MANAGER'S OFFICE,
MADRAS.

From
The Agent and Manager,
M. R. Co.

To
The Consulting Engineer
for Railways
Madras

DATED 1st } Sept. 18 90.
RECEIVED 2.9.90
R. S. S.

No. 6313
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The undersigned has the honor to
request the favor of an early reply to his
letter No. 6313 dated 28th May 1890
on the subject of maximum salary
to Mr. Moss.

Yours faithfully
J. S. S.
Agent and Manager.

Form No. 1.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

OFFICE OF CONSULTING ENGINEER FOR RAILWAYS,

Madras. 3rd September 1890.

Letter from the Agent and Manager
Madras Railway No. $\frac{6313}{929}$ dated 1st
September 1890.

No. 588

SUBMITTED _____ to _____ Government.

with reference to G. O.
No. 831R dated 12th June
1890.

Sidney Smith

Major R.E.

for Offs: Genl Engr for Ry.

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Subject.—

From

THE CONSULTING ENGINEER

FOR RAILWAYS,

MADRAS,

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B. No. 1354 of 12th Sept 90.

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forwarded to the Govt. of

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Offg. R

No. 588

Dated 3^dReceived 4th

September 1890.

No. of ENCLOSURES.

Subject.

Submitting, reminder
from the Agent and
Manager, Madras
Railway, regarding
the proposal to increase
the maximum salary
of his less Traffic
Manager, Madras
Railway.

B. No. 1354-55 R of 12th Sept 90.

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All communications
should be addressed to
the Secretary.

No. 2678 G.
GOVERNMENT OF INDIA.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

GENERAL.

To
The Joint Secretary to the Government of
Madras -
Railway Branch, Public Works Department

Simla the 30th September 1890

Sir,

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dated the 12th September 1890 on the subject of
increasing the maximum salary to Mr. Moss,
I am directed to forward a copy of this office
No. 2254 G. dated the 20th August 1890 and to state
that the original was despatched to your address
on the 20th August 1890.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant

G. H. Walker

Under Secy: to the Govt. of India
G. H. Walker

Documents accompanying
copy of a letter.

P.W. C No. 95285

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Incl.

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Public Works Department, to the Joint Secretary to the
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Railway Branch -

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PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT,
RAILWAY BRANCH.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

UNDER date the 17th Oct/90.

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Progs: of the Madras } H.O. No. 1354-55 R of 12th Sept '90
Govt: P.W. Deptt:—

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Letter from the Govt. } H.O. No. 2678 G of 30th Sept '90
of India P.W. Deptt:—

Communicated to
the Consulting Engineer for Rail-
ways with reference to Progs: No.
831 R of 12th June 1890 and to his
Endorsement No. 588 dated 23rd
September 1890.

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To the Comptroller for Rs
— Govt. P.W. Deptt:—

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Govt. of Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS.

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Dated

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Encl.

G.O., 17th Oct. 1890, No. 1518 R.

Mr. Moss, Traffic Manager
Madras Railway.

Confirmation of the
Govt of India to the
proposal for increasing
the maximum salary
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Chief Engineer.

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