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Government of Madras.

Pension DEPARTMENT.

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No. 235.

FROM

THE HONORABLE R. S. ELLIS, C. B.,
Chief Secretary to the Government of Fort Saint George,

To

THE SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA,
 FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT.

SIR,

I am directed to forward, for the orders of the Government of India, the accompanying Proceedings of this Government in the Pension Department, dated 29th April 1866, No. 122, relative to the grant of gratuity to Subbaiyar, a Revenue Inspector. It will be observed that no medical certificate was obtained on his behalf until a year and nine months after his retirement.

2. I am to state that the Proceedings contain a full account of the reasons which induced this Government to propose the grant of gratuity of 80 Rupees to this individual, and to request the sanction of the Government of India.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient Servant,

FORT SAINT GEORGE,
 13th May 1868.

Chief Secretary.

Proceedings of Government, Pension Department.

Read the following :—

REGISTER of an application for Gratuity under Pension Rules, published under date 3rd May 1864, from the Establishment of the Collector of South Arcot.

1	Full name of the person by whom the Gratuity is applied for...	Subbaiyar.
2	Present post...	3rd Class Revenue Inspector, Trinamalai Taluq.
3	Date of commencement of service...	2nd January 1852.
4	Date of retirement of service...	31st January 1866.
5	Abstract of the grounds of application...	Inability to serve longer.
		YS. MS. DS.
6	How long unemployed, and under what circumstances.	Suspended from 21st April 1853 to 30th July 1853... 0 3 10
		Do. 18th October 1855 to 18th April 1856. ... 0 6 1
7	Total of service not in Pension grades ...	7 11 24
		Grand Total..... 8 9 5
8	Total period counted as service...	5 3 7
9*	Age of the applicant at the time of this application...	66 0 0
		RS. A. P.
10	Salary per mensem at the time of application.	20 0 0
11	Proposed amount of Gratuity...	100 0 0

* I do hereby certify that, to the best of my belief, the applicant's age above stated is correct, and that the services of the applicant have been verified by the records.

(Signed) C. W. READE,
 Collector.

No. 6.
MEMORANDUM.

The Under Secretary to Government, Pension Department, is directed to forward to the Collector of South Arcot the Pension application on behalf of Subbaiyar, and to call his attention to the discrepancy between the length of service given in the application, 13 years, and in the Medical Certificate 45 years, and to request early explanation.

(Signed) C. G. WALKER,
Under Secy. to Govt.

2nd March 1868.
To the Collector of South Arcot.

From the Collector of South Arcot, to the Under Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George ;
dated Carengooly, 7th March 1868, No. 27.

In re-submitting the application for gratuity, returned with your Memorandum of 2nd instant, No. 6, I have the honor to state that the length of service, 13 years, entitling to pension, entered in the application, is correct, the same having been verified by the records ; 45 years given in the Medical Certificate is evidently a mistake, and the Civil Surgeon had no means whatever of knowing the exact period of service beyond the applicant's own statement, which, I presume, is the data on which the Civil Surgeon gave it as 45 years ; the fact of the applicant not having been able to show longer service when his service list was prepared in this office, sufficiently proves that his statement to the Civil Surgeon is incorrect, and has nothing in its confirmation.

Order, 29th April 1868, No. 122.

The above is an application from the Collector of South Arcot for a gratuity on behalf of Subbaiyar, late a Revenue Inspector. This man was first employed in 1852 at the age of 51, and retired in January 1866 at the age of 65, being certified unfit for further service from old age.

2. No Medical Certificate was obtained on his behalf until October 1867, a year and nine months after his retirement. He was once suspended for three months in 1853 for disobedience to the Tahsildar, and for six months in 1855-56 for having made over lands to a second applicant in disregard of the claims of the first applicant. Otherwise he is stated to have behaved well.

3. The Collector's remarks in explanation of the great delay that has occurred in this case are, in the opinion of the Governor in Council, most unsatisfactory.

4. In this instance it is stated that the applicant having been thrown out of employ on the 31st January, appeared before the Collector on the 13th June 1866. That the delay thereafter arose from the time taken in verifying his services consequent on the sickness of the Record-keeper, and partly "from the non-appearance of the applicant." It would have been perfectly easy to have secured the applicant's attendance, and the illness of the Record-keeper cannot be admitted by Government as a reason for delay in the verification of service. The Collector of South Arcot further states that the applicant was sent to the Medical Officer on the 2nd October 1867 (one year and a quarter after appearing before the Collector) ; that he accounted for his delay in producing a Certificate by the plea that he did not know it was required ; and that he stated "that he waited at the Head Assistant Collector's Office for four months after quitting his office," and could get no information as to the steps to be taken by him for obtaining his gratuity.

5. It is the duty of the Heads of Offices to explain to their subordinates who may be about to retire all the necessary steps for obtaining pensions or gratuities, and upon a statement being made regarding the Head Assistant, which reflected on that Officer as neglecting an obvious duty, the Collector should have informed himself if the petitioner's allegation was well founded.

6. The Government consider the applicant entitled to a gratuity of Rupees 80, or four months' salary (diminished from his entering the service at so late an age), and an application on his behalf will be made to the Government of India.

7. These Proceedings will be communicated to the Heads of Offices at the Presidency, and to the Collectors of districts, with the intimation that the Government attach great importance to the punctual observance of the Pension Rules, and to their being thoroughly explained to all applicants for pension or gratuity. It should be remembered that the inattention to the Pension Rules, which has so often required the notice of Government, not only entails much additional labor on the Offices of Audit and on the Government Office, but renders necessary special applications to the Government of India, and endangers the claims of applicants.

8. The Governor in Council will, therefore, feel it his duty to take most serious notice of negligence, in the performance of what should for obvious reasons be considered by public Officers as a very important part of their duties.

(True Extract).

(Signed) C. G. WALKER,
Under Secy. to Govt.

*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Financial Department,
6th July 1868.*

No. 13. Read the following letter from the Under Secretary to the Government of India, Financial Department, to the Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George; dated Simla, 18th June 1868, No. 344.

In reply to your letter, No. 235, dated the 13th ultimo, I am desired to convey sanction to the grant of a gratuity of Rupees (80) eighty to Subbaiyar, late Revenue Inspector of Trinamalai Taluq.

By Order,
(Signed) G. H. M. BATTEN,
Under Secy. to the Govt. of India.

No. 14.

ORDER THEREON, 6th July 1868, No. 316.
Communicated to the Pension Department.
(True Extract).

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Chief Secretary.

To the Pension Department.

1868.
FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT.

From
The Chief Secretary to Government,
Fort Saint George.

To
The Secretary to the Govt. of India,
Financial Department.
Dated 13th May 1868.
Recd.

No. 235.
Enclosure.

Recommending for sanction the grant of a gratuity of Rupees 80 to Subbaiyar, late a Revenue Inspector in the South Arcot District.

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Proceedings of Government
Financial Dept.

Dated 6th July 1868
Recd 2nd July 1868

Communicating
the order of the Govt of
India sanctioning
the grant of Gratuity
of Rs 80 to Subbaraya
late Revenue Inspector
of Simamalai Taluk

To the Collector
No 206.

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Order thereon - 11th July 1868 No 206.

Communicated to the
Collector of South Arcot with
reference to the Prov. of Govt in
the Department under date the
29th April 1868 No 122.

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To the Collector of South Arcot Dec 11/7/68