

Political (1895) Department.

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[Despatch Abstract.]

PENSIONS

Communicating to the Resident in Travancore and Cochin, letter from the Accountant-General pointing out that the existing practice of the Treasury Officer drawing the pensions of civil pensioners residing far away from the Resident's treasury and remitting them is irregular; and requesting him to report whether arrangements cannot, as suggested by the Accountant-General, be made with the Travancore State for the payment of these --

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CURRENT No. 56

No 569

Resident's office on circuit
Cochin, 17th April 1908

From

J. D. Rees Esquire C. I. E.

Ag: Resident in Travancore and Cochin

To

The Honorable Mr. J. F. Price C. S. I.

Chief Secretary to Government

Fort St. George.

Sir,

I have the honor to report for the information of Government that of the Civil Pensioners who draw their pensions from my Treasury a few who live far away in the interior, generally do so on receipts accompanied by life certificates except once a year when they have to present themselves at the Treasury for identification as required by the Civil Service Regulations. Of these again a few generally send their receipts by messengers, who receive the payment from the Treasury on their behalf. Under recent instructions from the Accountant General these now endorse over their receipts to the messengers sent by them, and the Treasury obtains their acquittance on the receipts.

2. In the case of the remaining few, the practice hitherto was for them to submit the receipts and life certificates by post. In their receipt the officer in charge of my Treasury drew the pensions due and remitted them by means of hundies obtained on the Travancore Huzar Treasury.

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Treasury in favour of the pensioners.

3. In the objection statement for November last the Accountant General objected to this procedure but the officer in charge of my Treasury explained that though in keeping in the office the Pensioners' Half of their certificates and in drawing the money from the Treasury without the payee or his representative to take charge of it immediately it is drawn, the Treasury was undertaking a responsibility which it was not called upon to do according to the rules. Yet, the practice was a long established one and it was found to work well. But for it also the Pensioners living in the profusil towns and villages would be put to great inconvenience and hardship.

4. The Accountant General then suggested that these pensioners might be instructed to endorse payment of their pensions to some person or persons residing near the Treasury office who would draw and remit them in any manner he or they might choose and that if any pensioner thought fit as to do he might endorse the bill in favour of some official in the Dewan's office. In reply to this the officer in charge of my Treasury represented that even under this procedure the Pensioners in question would be put to great hardship for hardly any of them had any friends living at Trivandrum and willing to undertake the trouble on their behalf. much less in the Dewan's office. One of them lives nearly a 100 miles away and the others between

between 45 and 87 miles while one or two of them are so poor and their pensions so small that a journey to Trivandrum for drawing pensions every month in person cannot but be felt as a great hardship.

5. The Accountant General however still maintains that the course followed is unauthorized and that it is undesirable for a Treasury officer to draw the pensions of those residing far away from the Treasury and remit them by Hundies. But in view to avoid the great hardships the pensioners in question will be put to, he suggests that the matter may be represented to Government and special sanction obtained for the continuance of the practice.

6. In the circumstances stated therefore, I request that Government will be pleased to sanction the continuance of the existing practice in the case of these Pensioners.

In British India although all pension orders are payable at District Treasuries, the Treasury officers are allowed to arrange for their payment in Taluk Treasuries. There are no such Treasuries subordinate to this Treasury and hence the necessity for this exceptional treatment.

I have the honor to be

Sr
Your most obedt. servant

J. K. R.
Ag: Resident.

Increase in favour of the pensioners.

From The Ag. Resident in Travancore and Cochin

To The Chief Secretary to Government

Fort St. George.

dated 22nd April 1895

Received 26th April 1895

No. a. 589.

Resd. in P. & C. (A)

Acct. Gmt. (A)

Nth The Ag. will apparently

be content with an order from

this Govt.

After referring to his remarks,

I think

Pensioners

Request the sanction of Government to

the continuance of the practice of

paying — by means of Hoondie

through the Travancore Sarker

WITH ORDER

26 APR. 1895

CHIEF SECRETARY

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS

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DEPARTMENT.

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No.

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From

J. C. Harrison Esq.

ACCOUNTANT-GENERAL TO THE GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS,

To

The Acting Assistant Secretary to Government, Political Department.

SIR,

With reference to your memo dated the 13th Instant inviting attention to your Memo No. 1057 dated 16th May 1895, touching the practice of paying pensioners by means of Hoondies through the Travancore Sarker, I have the honour to state that my reply was submitted through the Secretary to Government, Pension Department, bearing No. 2a D. dated the 5th idem.

I have the honour to be, Sir,

Your most Obedt Servt;

J. Harrison

Offg. Acct. General.

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CURRENT No. 829

(1895) DEPARTMENT.

From

THE ACCOUNTANT-GENERAL,

MADRAS,

To

THE Acting Asst Secy & Genl

Political Dept



No. 122
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Dated

Received

21 June 1895

No.

SUBJECT.

Informing that reply to his Memo
No 11057 of 16 May 1895 was forwarded
through the Secy to Pol Pension
Dept

To await receipt of letter
for Pension Dept. but
send reminder to Pension Dept
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(1895) DEPARTMENT.

From

THE ACCOUNTANT-GENERAL,

MADRAS,

To

THE Chief Secy & Genl

Political Dept

Through the Under Secy & Genl
No. 110
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Dated

Received

5 June 1895



Subject.

Reporting on a letter No 589
dated 22 April 1895 from the
Resident in Travancore & Cochin
in which he requests the sanction
of Government in regard to the
payment of pensions from
his Treasury.

CURRENT No. 847

Endorsement No. 54 of 24 June 1895

Forwarded.

Recd 26 June 95
Ag. Under Secy to Govt

W. B. S. S. S.
Ag. Under Secy to Govt

WITH ORDER

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Department

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Ag. Under Secy to Govt

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H.M.L.
M.L.

18th July 1895 No 438

C. No 560. 829. 847.

ORDER

The Accountant General

letter will be communicated
to the Resident in Travancore
and Cochin who will report
whether arrangements cannot,
as suggested by Mr. Harrison,
be made with the Travancore
State for the payment of the
pensions in question

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DEPARTMENT. *6/23*

FORT ST. GEORGE,
Accountant-General's Office,
13th February 1895.

No. *180*
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From *J. W. Rawlin's Esq.*

ACCOUNTANT-GENERAL TO THE
GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS,

To
THE *Officer in charge of the*
Resident's Treasury
Taramore

SIR,

With reference to your reply to item
N^o 6 of the Objection Statement N^o 208
2699.1. for
November 1894 regarding the practice of paying
pensioners on life certificates, I have the honour to
state that in cases where the receipts of the messengers
are lodged in your office the pensioners can be
instructed to endorse their bills in favour of
such messengers whose acquittances can then be
taken on the bills themselves on payment. The retention
in your office of the separate receipts of messengers is
unnecessary.

The system of payment by hundies is open
to objection - It seems to me that in such cases pension
ers might be instructed to endorse payments of their
pensions to some person or persons residing near the
Treasury Office who should draw the pension
and remit it to the pensioner in any manner he
may choose. If a pensioner thinks fit so to

do he may endorse the bill in favour of some official in the Dewan Office, but in all these cases Life Certificate is of course indispensable and the payer's signature should invariably be taken on the bill as stated above. I shall be glad to hear if you have any objection to the adoption of the above course.

I have &c.
Sd: J. L. Pinto
Chief Superintendent

(True Copy.)

Luo S. Pinto
Chief Superintendent

Dr 5/6.



Pension DEPARTMENT.

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No. 200
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From

F. C. Harrison Esquire,

Offg. ACCOUNTANT-GENERAL TO THE
GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS,

To

THE Chief Secretary to Government,
Political Department
through the ^{Under} Secretary to Government,
Pension Department.



SIR,

With reference to your memorandum No. 1057 dated the 16th of May 1895 referring to me for remarks a letter No. 589 dated the 22nd April 1895 from the Resident in Travancore and Cochin, in which he requests the sanction of Government in regard to the payment of pensions from his Treasury, I have the honour to report as follows:-

From paragraph 2 of the Resident's letter, it appears that it has been the practice with certain pensioners residing at places in the Travancore State far away from Trivandrum, to send their pension receipts and life certifi-

Treasury Officer by post. On their receipt,
the latter used to draw the pensions due, from
the Treasury and remit them by means of
Hundis obtained on the Travancore Revenue
Treasury in favour of the pensioners. The
procedure is obviously irregular and
opposed to the rules prescribed in Chapter
19 of the Civil Account Code, for the payment
of pensions. The Treasury Officer, who is the
local audit officer, cannot be paid himself,
the amounts of the pensions, though the
object with which he draws them from the
Treasury is to suit the convenience of certain
pensioners. If any sum be lost during
transmission, a question would arise as to
who should make good the amount lost.

The best way to meet the difficulty
raised by the Treasury Officer, is to instruct
the pensioners to pursue the course mentioned
in my letter N^o 565 SAD dated the 13th February
1895 a copy of which is enclosed, or to arrange
with the Travancore State for the payment
of the pensions, as is done in the case of
pensioners of the British Government re-
siding in the Mysore Province.

The enclosures to your memorandum
under reply are herewith returned.

I have the honour to be,
Your most obed^t. Servant,
H. Harrison.

H. Harrison

But even so I must
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