

Public (1895) Department.

ORDINARY MS.

G.O., No. 1034

Dated 23^d Dec: 1895

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[Despatch Abstract.]

CLARENCE SMITH COMMISSION.

Authorizing the Accountant-General to pay the expenses of the
witnesses who appeared before the---

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Public (189) DEPARTMENT.

From

THE ACCOUNTANT-GENERAL,

MADRAS,

To

THE Chief Secy to Govt
Public Dept

No. 3080

Dated

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Subject.

Submitting with remarks for
certain papers regarding
the 24 paises payable to official
witnesses in the Clarence
Smith Commission

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Gazetted Audit DEPARTMENT.

FORT ST. GEORGE,
Accountant-General's Office,
6 November 1895.

No. 3080

From

F. C. Harrison Esq^r.,

Offg: ACCOUNTANT-GENERAL TO THE

To

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS,

THE Chief Secretary to Government,
Public Department.

SIR,

With reference to Government Order No: 844, Public, dated the 10th October 1895 relating to the expense of witnesses called before the Commission, I have the honour to submit the enclosed papers for orders.

2. A few days ago Mr. Weir and his colleague called to consult me as to their powers under this Government Order. After the interview I thought over the matter again and in order, if possible, to avoid a formal difference of opinion, wrote to Mr. Weir semi-officially giving my views. Mr. Weir in the annexed papers quotes those views and states his own requesting me to lay the facts before Government.

3. I respectfully wish to point out that there appears to be no reason for treating official witnesses called up to Madras for this Commission differently from any other officers who may be called here on duty. As regards non-officials it is I submit, quite

Clear

clear that the orders of the Government of India, which I quoted,
are in their spirit applicable to this case, although in this case the
Commission was private and not public, and was ordered by the
Secretary of State and not by Government.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

H. Manion

Off^r: Accountant General.

Dec 6/11.

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NOTE FOR THE CHIEF SECRETARY.

Mr. Lyson would
get under the rules (arts.
1107 & 1167 of C.S. R.)
double first class fare and
daily allowance for halt
at Madras at Rs 5 a
day.

The cost of the telegram
should properly be charged
to 'contingencies' of the Commr.

The syce should be

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The telegram should
 contain his name and
 address and be
 changed. The name
 should be changed
 for reference as

be better called for a while
 It was much to be desired
 that the same should be done
 by the same person
 What would be the result
 - I believe it would be
 better than the present
 system of having different
 persons doing different
 parts of the work
 The same person should
 be made responsible for
 the whole of the work
 and the same person should
 be made responsible for
 the whole of the work
 and the same person should
 be made responsible for
 the whole of the work

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NOTE FOR THE CHIEF SECRETARY.

Mr. Lyson would get

Double first class fare ..	54-8--
Daily allowance for 3 days ..	15-- --
	<u>69-8--</u>

The Lyson would be entitled

to 3 ^d Class fare ..	4-10--
Batta for 3 ^d days ..	1-12--
	<u>5-6--</u>

* The no. of days for which
 batta should be drawn can be
 determined by the Prescts. of the
 Commr. under rule 11 in G.O. No. 999,
 Jull. 27 June 1873 & G.O. No.
 844 Public 27 10 Oct 95.

Thus Mr. Lyson & the co.
would get more under the 11.

than he claims in his bill.

For

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FOR ORDERS.

In G.O. No. 844 Pub.
dated 10th October 1895 the
Clarence Smith Commissioners
were authorised to allow at
their discretion the "reasonable
expenses" of witnesses.

The Accountant General
wishes to restrict official wit-
nesses to the ordinary rates
allowed by the C. S. R.
and not officials to "actually
travelling expenses" as defined
in Art 15 C. S. R. Mr. Meir
objects and the point is
submitted for orders.

For 1248 Financial of 30th
November 1887 and 30th Legislative
of 23rd May 1891 bear on the subject.
If the Accountant General's
views are not accepted he
will

will no doubt require Indian
sanction before passing the
Bills.

J.D.B.
13.11.5. This paper has I am sorry
to say been overlooked by
me in the pressure of other work.

I called for further information
and when it came from the subject
under intending to write was late
regarding it but forgot it.

The Commr. Mr. Blair says that according
to the Syce Mr. Clegg and Dr. Smith
the last is not a witness at all
he is a resident of Madras, all the
witnesses are Govt. servants, Mr
Syson is not but he comes under
the Govt. Rules.

His claims come to Rs 66-4-0.
But out of this has to be deducted
Rs 4-10. the last fare for the Syce &
the better which may be taken to
be 8 annas, and the telegrams
which should be paid as a contingent
charge.

Deducting these items Mr. Syson's
claim stands at Rs 60-2-0.

Under the Govt. Rules Mr. S. would
get the following

Double first class each way Rs 54-8
Daily allowance Rs 12-0
As Rs 66-8

which is Rs 6-6 more than his
claim.

Again the Syce would get according
to the rules for witnesses -

Rail Charge Rs 4-10
Bullock for 3 days 12
5-6.

Dr. Blair, Secy. Mr. Blair, Secy.
Commr. witnesses.

FOR ORDERS.

H. E. THE GOVERNOR. ③

THE HON'BLE MR. H. W. BLISS, C.I.E. ①

THE HON'BLE MR. J. GROSE. ②

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DEPARTMENT.

C. No.

FOR ORDERS.

I should tell the A.G.
that whatever the Commr.
have passed. It is the only
satisfactory thing to do
under the new orders of
India as to casual pay-
ments not covered by the rules
became order this.

I agree

JG

14/12/95

W
17 Dec

So he would not lose.
It is probable that all the witnesses who
are Govt. servants would in no case lose.
The only person who might would be
Mr. Clegg but it would be a mere
trifle.

12/12/95.

Travelling Expenses, Advances
Smith Commission business

FOR ORDERS.

H. E. THE GOVERNOR.

THE HON'BLE MR. H. W. BLISS, C.I.E.

THE HON'BLE MR. J. GROSE.

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The Acct. Genl will
be authorized to pay
whatever the Commissioners
have allowed as "reasonable
expenses" of witnesses under
G.O. N° 844 Pub. 4/10th Oct 45.

from orders
21/12/55

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20/12/55

To The Acct Genl
(Hrs the Finl Dept.)
with 3 encs.

J. Weir Esq. J. C.S.

Accepted
23/12/55
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20/12

Travelling Expenses, Clothes
Smith Commission Witnesses

from orders

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LETTER OF GOVERNMENT.

STATEMENT WITH DITTO.

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