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Communicating to all Collectors letter from the Government of India forwarding copy of a G.O.C.C. relative to the use of the amount at credit of the Patriotic Fund for the —, and requesting that, with reference to paragraph 5 thereof, the necessary instructions may be issued to District Officers in this Presidency to investigate any claims which may be made to them by families of followers with hired transport, and to comply with the instructions contained in paragraphs 6, 7 and 10 of the G.O.C.C. in dealing with such claims.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC DEPARTMENT.

READ—the following paper :—

From H. LUSON, Esq., Deputy Secretary to the Government of India, Home Department (Public), to the Chief Secretary to the Government of Madras, dated Simla, 8th August 1898, No. 1657.

I am directed to forward a copy of a G.O.C.C. No. 485, dated 23rd July 1898, relative to the use of the amount at credit of the Patriotic Fund for the relief of sufferers in the recent military operations on the North-West Frontier, and with reference to paragraph 5 thereof, which directs that the claims of families of followers with hired transport should be considered by the Civil officers of the districts to which the claimants belong, I am to request that, with the permission of the Governor in Council, the necessary instructions may be issued to District officers in the Madras Presidency to investigate any claims which may be made to them, and to comply with the instructions contained in paragraphs 6, 7 and 10 of the G.O.C.C. in dealing with such claims.

ENCLOSURE.

GENERAL ORDERS BY HIS EXCELLENCY THE COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF IN INDIA.

Army Head-quarters, Simla, 23rd July 1898.

485.—The Government of India having been pleased to sanction the use of the amount at credit of the Patriotic Fund for the relief of the sufferers in the recent military operations on the North-West Frontier, the following rules are laid down for guidance in the distribution of the funds which will be carried out under the general superintendence of a Special Committee composed as under :—

Members :

The Secretary to the Government of India, Military Department.
The Adjutant-General in India.
The Accountant-General, Military Department.

Secretary to Committee :

An officer of the Adjutant-General's Department to be nominated by the Adjutant-General in India.

2. The following dates for the different operations will govern the eligibility of claims for relief, viz. :—

- (a) Tochi Field Force from 10th June 1897 to 30th January 1898, inclusive.
- (b) Malakand Field Force from 26th July 1897 to 23rd January 1898, inclusive.
- (c) Utman Khel Operations from 22nd November 1897 to 5th December 1897, inclusive.
- (d) Mohmand Field Force from 13th September 1897 to 6th October 1897, inclusive.
- (e) Operations of detachments at the Peshwar outposts (i.e., Shabkadr, Hari Singh ke Burj, Jamrud and Bara) from 23rd August 1897 to 6th April 1898, inclusive.
- (f) Operations on the Samana and posts beyond Kohat from Kohat to Parachinar and Ublan Pass from 27th August 1897 to 2nd October 1897, inclusive.
- (g) Kuram Moveable Column from 2nd October 1897 to 21st January 1898, inclusive.
- (h) Troops employed beyond Kohat on the Kohat-Kuram line from 22nd January 1898 up to 6th April 1898, inclusive.
- (i) Tirah Expeditionary Force from 2nd October 1897 to 6th April 1898, inclusive.
- (j) Buner Field Force from 7th to 19th January 1898.

(Not more than one claim for any or all the above operations is to be considered.)

* These scales may be subsequently increased should the state of the fund permit of it.

3. The sums to be granted will be as follows :—

(a) For the relief of families of men who were killed, or who died from the effects of wounds received or sickness contracted, on active service—

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(1) For each European family	150
(2) For each Native family, including families of followers, entitled to pension	75
(3) For each Native family, including families of followers, not entitled to pension	100

4. Regimental committees will be formed for the purpose of considering claims for relief. These committees will exercise particular care in considering claims put forward by persons describing themselves as dependent upon deceased soldiers or followers so as to guard against money being given to those who are able to work for their own support.

5. Committees will similarly be formed by executive departmental officers for the consideration of the claims of families of permanent and temporary departmental followers. The claims of families of followers with hired transport will be considered by civil officers of the district to which the claimants belong.

6. The regimental or departmental committees or civil officers, as the case may be, will recommend the amount to be paid in each case, more than the average allotment being given to one family and less to another, according to the needs of each. Committees will similarly use their discretion in reducing, or withholding grants from the Patriotic Fund in cases where assistance or relief has been obtained by families from other sources.

7. Commanding officers of regiments, departmental and civil officers, will submit to the Deputy Adjutant-General of the Command a statement showing the particulars of each case, and the total amount required for distribution, and will certify to the validity of the claims forwarded.

8. On the receipt of above, Lieutenant-Generals Commanding will decide on the merits of claims, and will furnish the Secretary of the Special Committee with a statement showing the total amount required for distribution in their respective commands. In cases where committees, or civil officers, have, under paragraph 6 recommended payments in excess of the scales in paragraph 1, Lieutenant-Generals will see that these excess payments are compensated for by correspondingly reduced payments in other cases, so that the applications to the Special Committee for funds will not exceed in the case of any command the amount admissible under the scales in paragraph 3 of this order.

9. The Special Committee will determine the amount to be allotted to each command with reference to the total sum that may prove to be available for distribution. The Lieutenant-Generals Commanding will similarly decide on the amount to be paid to each claimant with reference to the total amount allotted for distribution in their respective commands, and will furnish the Pay Examiners with a list of the payments to be made. Two separate allotments of funds will be sent to each British regiment or battery from which claims are received—one for the families of European soldiers, the other for the families of Native soldiers and followers.

10. The Comptroller and Auditor General will be requested by the Special Committee to place the requisite sums at the credit of Pay Examiners of Commands, from whom Commanding Officers, executive, departmental and civil officers, will draw the amounts sanctioned. The distribution will be made regimentally and departmentally by disbursing committees or by civil officers as necessary.

Commanding Officers, Departmental and Civil officers, will furnish the Pay Examiners with the original receipts of the payees for final audit and record, returning also any sums remaining undischarged. Pay Examiners will refund to the Comptroller-General any sums remaining undischarged.

(By order of His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief in India.)

(Signed) G. DE C. MORTON, Major-General,
Adjutant-General in India.

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(True Extract.)

G. STOKES,
Chief Secretary.

To all Collectors.

Ed. W. D'Mora.

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It is submitted that India should be
used whether the rules should be published in
the Fort St George & all Dist. Gazette to enable
families of the deceased soldiers to know of the
privileges - not necessary. If desired
published in the Gazette, the note
can be copied into the 7th S. G. Gazette
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