

Public Works (1890) Department.

RAILWAY BRANCH.

G.O., No. 67 Ry.

DATED 15th January.

[Despatch Abstract.]

Allowance to Agent and Manager, Madras Railway.

The Govt of India informed that the only allowance of Railway officials to which exception can be taken is that of Rs 10, daily—when absent from head-quarters which can be reduced to Rs 7-8-0.

Engineering Assistant, fixed allowance, Rs. 1-8-0, and in some cases Rs. 2 per diem.

- 3.—Scale of batta payable to employés of the Engineering Department only printed on page 55 of "standing orders."
- 4.—Scale of batta for officers and employés of departments other than the Engineering printed at page 71 of "standing orders."
- 5.—To meet expenses incurred when travelling on foreign lines the following allowances were sanctioned in G.O., No. 107 R., dated 4th June 1877 :—(a) Rs. 5 per day in addition to the home line allowance to all drawing salaries of Rs. 200 and upwards; (b) double the home line allowance to all drawing less than Rs. 200 per mensem.

2. From the foregoing it will be observed that the grant of batta is at present governed by a special rule in the case of the Agent and Manager, by special allowances to certain officers and servants, by two batta scales for those not otherwise provided for, one of which applies only to the Engineering Department, and the other to the rest of the Company's officers and servants, and lastly by a rule passed in June 1877 providing extra payments when travelling over foreign lines.

3. The following are the rules which were discussed at the Committee, and in accordance with the resolution then arrived at I submit them to you in order that you may have an opportunity of comparing them with the rules of Government and with those of other Railway Companies, viz. :—

1. That a special allowance of Rs. 10 per diem should be fixed for the Agent and Manager.
2. That batta should only be drawn for absence on duty from head-quarters at night, with this exception that employés absent from head-quarters for more than six hours during day-light and returning the same evening shall be allowed to draw batta for that day.
3. That the special batta scale for the Engineering Department be abolished.
4. That the following revision of the scale of payment be made, taking the table printed at page 71 of "standing orders" :—
 - (a) Increase the rate for officers from Rs. 5 to say Rs. 8.
 - (b) Increase the rate in the next column from Rs. 2 to Rs. 3.
 - (c) Double the rates in the other columns.

4. I shall be glad to hear from you on this subject at your early convenience.

From the same Officer, dated Madras, 7th June 1880, No. 460.

WITH reference to your letter of the 12th of March last, No. 200, I have the honor to enclose a copy of the 10th paragraph of a letter from the Secretary, dated London the 30th of April last, No. 661, in which the views of the Directors are expressed as to the proposed revision of the rules for batta and travelling allowances to the officers and servants of this Company.

2. I request that the proposal as explained in your letter, No. 1,049, of the 30th September 1879, may now be submitted to Government, and that the orders passed thereon may be communicated to me in due course.

Extract from a letter from the Secretary, Madras Railway Company, No. 661, dated London, the 30th of April 1880.

Para. 10. The Board have had under consideration the proposals submitted by you to the Government Consulting Engineer, and referred to in paragraph 6 of 1,410 for a revision of the rules at present in force for the grant of batta and travelling allowances to the officers and servants of the Company, upon which he suggests that you should obtain the views of the Board previous to their being laid before the Government. The Directors had also before them your letter No. 1,386

in paragraph 45 of which are embodied the conclusions arrived at by the Consulting Engineer, and I am now to inform you that, subject to the sanction of Government, the Board approve of the recommendations which Colonel Shaw-Stewart is prepared to make, viz., that a travelling allowance of Rs. 10 per day be granted to the Agent and Manager, and that the scale of allowances lately sanctioned for the employés of the South Indian Railway (enclosed in his letter to you of the 30th September 1879) be adopted by the Madras Railway. The Board concur in the opinion that there is no necessity for modifying the present scale of allowances in the case of officers, and they approve of the manner in which the Consulting Engineer proposes to deal with individual cases in which the allowance sanctioned in G. O. of the 4th June 1877 may prove insufficient for officers and servants travelling over foreign lines. It is to be understood that employés travelling by rail from and to their head-quarters during the same day are to draw only one half of these allowances.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) A. M. SAUNDERS,
Agent and Manager.

SUBMITTED for the consideration of Government.

2. These papers deal with proposals of the Agent and Manager, Madras Railway, for certain alterations in the sanctioned scale of batta and travelling allowances to the officers and subordinates of the Company, it being considered that in some cases the provision made is inadequate.

3. The Agent's proposals in regard to officers are as follow :—

- (a) That the Agent and Manager, when absent from head-quarters, shall draw a special allowance of Rs. 10 per diem, in lieu of actual expenses as according to present rules.
- (b) That the rate for officers be increased from Rs. 5 to Rs. 8 per diem.

The first of these proposals was supported by this office, and has been approved by the Board of Directors, subject to the sanction of Government. The Board also agree in the opinion that, with regard to other officers, no alteration is called for.

4. The proposed scale for subordinates exceeds in most cases that lately sanctioned for the South Indian Railway; and as the latter is, in the opinion of this office, sufficiently liberal, it was suggested that it be adopted on the Madras Railway also, and in this view the Board of Directors concur. The following table compares the two scales at present in force on the Madras Railway with the scale proposed by the Agent and Manager, and that lately sanctioned for the South Indian Railway :—

Class of Employés.					OLD SCALES, MADRAS RAILWAY.		Present modified Scale, South Indian Railway.	Proposed Scale, Madras Railway.
					Engineering Department.	Other Departments.		
					RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.
On	Rs. 300 and above	...	...	...	2 8 0	2 0 0	2 8 0	3 0 0
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	" 50 "	100	...	...	1 0 0	0 8 0	0 8 0	1 0 0
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	" 15 "	25	...	...	0 4 0	...	0 2 0	...
Under	" 15 "	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Above	" 7 "	15	...	...	0 2 0	0 2 0	...	0 4 0
"	" 7 "	...	...	...	0 1 0	0 1 0	...	0 2 0

5. It will be seen that the scale now approved by the Board of Directors is identical with that in force for the Engineering Department, except that all employés with salaries under Rs. 15 per mensem are allowed As. 2 per diem.

6. Employés when travelling by rail from and returning to head-quarters the same day will receive one half of these daily allowances.

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7. Cases in which the allowances when travelling on foreign lines may prove insufficient will be dealt with specially at the periodical meetings.
8. It is recommended that the sanction of Government be accorded to the alterations approved by the Board of Directors, and that the sanctioned scale be entered in the minutes of the next official meeting.

No. 59.

ORDER THEREON, 23rd June 1880, No. 359 R.

Sanctioned.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) J. SHAW-STEWART, Col., R.E.,
Joint Secy. to Govt., P.W.D.,
Railway Branch.

To the Consulting Engineer for Railways.
" Examiner of Railway Accounts.

Exd. E. C. Shunker.
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RAILWAY.

Govt. of {1880} Madras.
PUBLIC WORKS.

To
THE CONSULTING ENGINEER
FOR RAILWAYS,
&c., &c., &c.

Dated June, 23rd

Issued

Recd.

Encl.

G. O., 23rd June 1880, No. 359 R.

JUNE.
Nos. 58-59.

Batta and Travelling Allowance to Officers and Subordinates of the Madras Railway Company.—The proposed scale of—approved by the Board of Directors, sanctioned.

No. 3055-G.

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA.
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.
GENERAL.

To

THE JOINT SECRETARIES TO THE GOVERNMENTS OF BOMBAY AND MADRAS, PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT, RAILWAY BRANCH, AND THE CONSULTING ENGINEERS TO THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA FOR RAILWAYS, CALCUTTA AND CENTRAL DIVISION.

Simla, the 24th October 1889.

SIR,

It has been observed that the rates of daily allowances drawn by Heads of Departments on some Guaranteed and Assisted Railways are unduly high compared with those in force on State Railways as shewn in the accompanying statement. The Government of India is of opinion that, unless strong reasons to the contrary exist, the allowances drawn by the Agents and the Heads of Departments on such Railways should be reduced.

2. I am accordingly to request that the Government of India may be favoured with ^{the views of the Government of Bombay Madras} your views on the subject.

I have the honour to be,

SIR,

Your most obedient servant,

E. H. Walker

Under-Secretary to the Govt. of India.

Document accompanying.
A tabular statement.

To The Joint Secy to the Govt of Madras
P. W. Department
Railway Branch

Enclosure to P. W. D. Letter No. 3055-G. of 1889.

Statement of daily allowances drawn by Heads of Departments on State Railways, new Guaranteed and old Guaranteed Railways.

Railway.	Agent or Manager.	Chief Engi- neer or ? Superintend- ent, Way and Workg.	Auditor.	Locomotive Superintend- ents.	Traffic Superintend- ents.	Storekeeper.
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State Railways.

North-Western Railway	...	7 8 0	6 0 0	6 0 0	6 0 0	6 0 0	5 0 0
Oudh and Rohilkhand Railway	...	6 0 0	6 0 0	6 0 0	5 0 0	6 0 0	5 0 0
Burma State Railway	...	6 0 0	5 0 0	5 0 0	5 0 0	5 0 0	5 0 0
Eastern Bengal State Railway	...	6 0 0	6 0 0	6 0 0	6 0 0	6 0 0	4 0 0
Tirhoot State Railway	...	5 0 0	5 0 0	5 0 0	5 0 0	4 0 0	...

New Railways worked by Companies Guaranteed or otherwise assisted.

Southern Mahratta Railway	...	7 8 0	...	6 0 0	6 0 0	6 0 0	5 0 0
Indian Midland Railway	...	10 0 0	6 0 0	6 0 0	6 0 0	6 0 0	6 0 0
Bengal-Nagpur Railway	...	10 0 0	...	6 0 0	6 0 0	6 0 0	5 0 0

Old Railways worked by Companies Guaranteed or otherwise assisted.

Great Indian Peninsula	...	15 0 0	10 0 0	10 0 0	10 0 0	10 0 0	10 0 0
Bombay, Baroda and Central India	}	15 0 0	10 0 0	10 0 0	10 0 0	10 0 0	10 0 0
Rajputana-Malwa Railway							
East Indian Railway	...	10 0 0	10 0 0	10 0 0	10 0 0	10 0 0	10 0 0
South Indian Railway	...	5 0 0	...*	5 0 0	5 0 0	5 0 0	5 0 0
Madras Railway	...	10 0 0	~~5 0 0~~	5 0 0	...*	...*	5 0 0

* These officers have no daily rate sanctioned : they draw a monthly allowance of Rs. 105.

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he travels, then he gets 5
Rs per month.

No. 5268C of 13th Nov 1889

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Referred to the

Consulting Engineers for
Railways for report.

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28 Nov

PUBLIC WORKS SECRETARIAT,
RAILWAY BRANCH.

Station Quartz date Dec 24 1889

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the right sum.

C. J. Smith & Co. N.Y.

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Government of Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

To

The Secretary to the Government
of India, P. W. Department

15th January 1890.

SIR,

I am directed to acknowledge receipt of your letter No. 3055 G., dated 24th October 1889, requesting to be favoured with the views of this Government on the subject of rates of daily allowances drawn by Heads of Departments on Guaranteed and assisted Railways.

2. In reply I am to state
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that in the opinion of
His Excellency the Governor
in Council the only
allowance in this Presi-
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reply) to which exception
can be taken ^{is} the ~~in~~
allowance of Rs 10 to the
agent and manager
of the Madras Railway.

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N. 64 R of 15-Jany 1890.

This allowance was
sanctioned by Government
in Pres. N. 359 R, dated
25-June 1880, but it is
now considered that
Rs 7-8-0 per diem would
suffice.

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