

Public Works (1893) Department.

RAILWAY BRANCH.

G.O., No. 705R

DATED 11th April

[Despatch Abstract.]

1. D. Logan, Chief Engineer, South Indian Railways. — Letter from the Govt of India confirming provisional sanction by this Government of furlough pay being passed to — during six months on the extension of leave granted to him, communicated to the Consulting Engineer of Railways.

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10TH AUGUST 1892, No. 1936 R., PUBLIC WORKS.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

Railway.

Read again the following paper :—

G.O., dated 15th June 1892, Nos. 1489-90 R., Public Works.

Read the following paper:—

From the Consulting Engineer for Railways, dated Madras, 8th June 1892, No. 463.
From the Examiner, Guaranteed Railway Accounts, to the Consulting Engineer for Railways, dated Madras, 31st May 1892, No. 290 G.

With reference to my office-note No. 1042 G., dated 15th December 1891 (sent herewith with connected papers to be returned), I have the honour to point out that no advice of the sanction accorded by the Secretary of State to the passage money of Mr. Darke, late Deputy Traffic Manager, Madras Railway, has as yet reached me either through you or the local Government and to request that you will be good enough to take necessary steps at an early date.

Submitted to Government.

2. The Board of Directors, Madras Railway, in their letter No. 854, dated 7th August 1891, intimated to their Agent and Manager that the Secretary of State had sanctioned a sum of £ 100, the cost of a passage to and from Madras, to Mr. Darke, the Company's late Deputy Traffic Manager, but no such communication has been received from the Government of India.

3. As the Examiner of Railway Accounts, Madras, brings to notice that no advice of this sanction has been given to him, either by this office or by the local Government, to enable him to pass the amount, it is requested that the Government of India may be asked, with reference to the concluding clause of para. 2 of letter from the Joint Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, Railway Branch, to the Government of India, No. 760 R., dated 21st March 1892, that intimation of the Secretary of State's action may be communicated in this and all similar cases which may hereafter occur.

Order—dated 15th June 1892, No. 1489 R., Public Works.

Ordered that the Government of India be addressed.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) W. H. COAKER, Lieut.-Colonel, R.E.,
Joint Secy. to Govt., P.W.D.,
Railway Branch.

Letter—from the Joint Secretary to the Government of Madras, Public Works Department, Railway Branch, to the Secretary to the Government of India, Public Works Department, dated 15th June 1892, No. 1490 R.

I am directed to forward a copy of letter No. 290 G., dated 31st May 1892, from the Examiner, Guaranteed Railway Accounts, Madras, in which he brings to notice that the Secretary of State has sanctioned the cost of a passage to and from Madras, viz., £100, to Mr. Darke, late Deputy Traffic Manager, Madras Railway, as communicated by the Board of Directors to their Agent and Manager; but that no advice of this sanction has been received by him from the local Government or the Consulting Engineer for Railways. I am, therefore, to request, with reference to the concluding clause of para. 2 of my letter No. 760 R., dated 21st March 1892, that the confirmation of this and of all future sanctions by the Secretary of State may be communicated to this Government as soon as they are received.

Read also the following paper:—

Endorsement from the Government of India, Public Works Department (General), dated Simla, 21st July 1892, No. 2143 G.

The undermentioned paper is forwarded to the Joint Secretary to the Government of Madras, Public Works Department, Railway Branch, for information, with reference to his No. 1490 R., dated 15th June 1892.

(By Order.)

(Signed) G. H. D. WALKER,
Under-Secretary.

Despatch from the Government of India, Public Works Department (General), to the Right Honorable Her Majesty's Secretary of State for India, dated Simla, 19th July 1892, No. 79 R.

In forwarding the accompanying copy of a letter and enclosure from the Government of Madras, reporting the grant, with your Lordship's sanction, of the cost of a passage to and from Madras to Mr. Darke, late Deputy Traffic Manager, Madras Railway, we have the honour to state that no official communication on the subject has yet reached us. We, therefore, request that we may be supplied with formal intimation of the sanction and of the necessary particulars in connection with it.

From the Government of Madras, Public Works Department, Railway Branch, to the Secretary to the Government of India, Public Works Department, dated 15th June 1892, No. 1490 R.

I am directed to forward a copy of letter No. 290 G., dated 31st May 1892, from the Examiner, Guaranteed Railway Accounts, Madras, in which he brings to notice that the Secretary of State has sanctioned the cost of a passage to and from Madras, viz., £100, to Mr. Darke, late Deputy Traffic Manager, Madras Railway, as communicated by the Board of Directors to their Agent and Manager; but that no advice of this sanction has been received by him from the local Government or the Consulting Engineer for Railways. I am, therefore, to request with reference to the concluding clause of paragraph 2 of my letter No. 760 R., dated 21st March 1892, that the confirmation of this and of all future sanctions by the Secretary of State may be communicated to this Government as soon as they are received.

From the Examiner, Guaranteed Railway Accounts, to the Consulting Engineer for Railways, dated Madras, 31st May 1892, No. 290 G.

With reference to my office-note No. 1042 G., dated 15th December 1891 (sent herewith with connected papers to be returned), I have the honour to point out that no advice of the sanction accorded by the Secretary of State to the passage money of Mr. Darke, late Deputy Traffic Manager, Madras Railway, has as yet reached me either through you or the local date.

ORDER—dated 10th August 1892, No. 1936 R., Public Works.

Communicated to the Consulting Engineer for Railways with reference to his endorsement No. 463, dated 8th June 1892.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) W. H. COAKER, Lieut.-Colonel, R.E.,
Joint Secy. to Govt., P.W.D.,
Railway Branch.

To the Consulting Engineer for Railways.
„ Examiner, Guaranteed Railway Accounts.

Exd. A. D. Xavier.
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RAILWAY.

Gobt. of {1892} Madras.
PUBLIC WORKS.

Dated August, 10th.

Recd.

Encl.

G.O., 10th Aug. 1892, No. 1938 R.

AUGUST.

Mr. Darke, late Deputy Traffic
Manager, Madras Railway

Endorsement from the Government of India forwarding copy of a despatch to the Secretary of State asking to be supplied with formal intimation of the sanction accorded to the grant of a passage to and from Madras to —, communicated to the Consulting Engineer for Railways.

6TH MAY 1892, No. 1176 R., PUBLIC WORKS.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

Railway.

Read again the following paper :—

G.O., dated 21st March 1892, Nos. 759-60 R., Public Works.

Read the following paper :—

From the Examiner, Guaranteed Railway Accounts, to the Joint Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, Railway Branch, dated Madras, 14th March 1892, No. 159.

I have the honour to enclose copy of the correspondence marginally noted regarding certain cases in which advice by the Board of Directors, South Indian Railway, of sanctions accorded by the Secretary of State need confirmation by the Government of India, and to request that you will be kind enough to obtain such confirmation in the present and all similar cases.

ENCLOSURES.

From the Examiner, Railway Accounts, Madras, to the Accountant-General, Public Works Department, Calcutta, dated 16th February 1892, No. 111.

In letter No. 28, dated 13th July 1891, to their Agent, the Board of Directors, South Indian Railway Company (Limited), state that—

"In the case of officers and servants engaged prior to the 4th July 1878, the Secretary of State has intimated that family remittances and furlough pay may be calculated at the old contract rate of exchange of 1s. 11d. the rupee."

No intimation of such decision has yet been received from the Government of India, and as there have been cases also on the Madras Railway in which the earliest, if not only, advice of sanctions accorded by the Home Government have reached this office through the medium of letters from the Board of Directors, I beg to inquire whether there is any prescribed departmental procedure for the receipt of advices of sanctions accorded by the Secretary of State, and, further, if such sanctions should be accepted before confirmation by the Government of India or the Local Government.

From the Examiner, Railway Accounts, Madras, to the Accountant-General, Public Works Department, Calcutta, dated 16th February 1892, No. 112.

I have the honour, in continuation of this office No. 111, dated 16th instant, to invite attention to letter No. 38, dated 9th October 1891, from the Board of Directors, South Indian Railway Company (Limited), to their Agent, from which it will be seen that home payments in certain cases have been authorized to be made at the rate fixed for the official year for the adjustment of transactions between the English and Indian treasuries. This being opposed to the provisions of clause 49 of the contract with the Company which prescribes the adoption (excepting in certain cases for which special rates are provided) of the average rate of the Secretary of State's drawings for each calendar half-year, I have the honour to inquire whether the rates advised by the Board may be passed.

2. If the India Office have allowed the remittance rate applicable to State Railway employes to be also made applicable to the employes of the South Indian Railway Company, no advice of the concession has been communicated to this office through a Government officer.

From the Accountant-General, Public Works Department, Calcutta, to the Examiner of Guaranteed Railway Accounts, Madras, dated 26th February 1892, No. 207 R.

With reference to your letters, Nos. 111 and 112, dated 16th February, asking whether you should accept the rates of exchange applicable to certain classes of home payments which the

No. 28, dated 13th July 1891.

" 38 " 9th Oct. "

Board of Directors of the South Indian Railway Company state in their letters marginally noted to have been sanctioned by the Secretary of State, I have the honour to inform you that you can accept the rates mentioned by the Board provisionally, pending subsequent intimation to you of these sanctions in the manner indicated in the next para.

2. As to the general question raised in the first of the two letters above quoted regarding the channel through which sanctions accorded by the Secretary of State should reach you, I have to state that you should recognize no sanction which does not reach you through the Government of Madras or the Consulting Engineer, though you may, with the sanction of the Consulting Engineer, act on sanctions irregularly communicated provisionally pending receipt of the orders of Government.

Order—dated 21st March 1892, No. 759 R., Public Works.

Ordered that the above letter and its enclosures be forwarded to the Government of India.

(Here enter No. 760 R., Public Works, dated 21st March 1892.)

(True Extract.)

(Signed) W. H. COAKER, Lieut.-Colonel, R.E.,
Joint Secy. to Govt., P.W.D.,
Railway Branch.

Letter—from the Joint Secretary to the Government of Madras, Public Works Department, Railway Branch, to the Secretary to the Government of India, Public Works Department, dated Madras, 21st March 1892, No. 760 R.

I am directed to forward, for the orders of the Government of India, letter No. 159, dated 14th March 1892, from the Examiner, Guaranteed Railway Accounts, Madras, enclosing copy of correspondence between the Accountant-General, Public Works Department, and himself regarding certain cases in which advices by the Board of Directors, South Indian Railway, of sanctions accorded by the Secretary of State need confirmation by the Government of India.

2. In the first case brought to notice by the Examiner, the Board informed their Agent that the Secretary of State, in reply to a despatch from him, had received a telegram from the Government of India stating that it agrees to a continuance of family remittances to former employes according to the terms of original contracts. No intimation to this effect having been received from the Government of India, the Examiner is placed in a difficulty in auditing the payments made in accordance with this concession. I am to suggest that when a sanction of this kind is accorded by the Government of India, it would be convenient that intimation be sent to this Government, who would then be in a position to issue instructions to the Examiner.

3. In the second case it would appear that home payments to employes are in certain cases being made at the rate of exchange fixed for the official year instead of in accordance with clause 49 of the contract which prescribes the adoption (except in certain special cases) of the average rate of the Secretary of State's drawings for the calendar half-year. Presumably these payments are approved by the India Office, and it would appear that either the provisions of clause 49 of the contract have been over-looked, or the Secretary of State has sanctioned a special concession on behalf of employes under whose agreements part of their salaries is payable in England. I am to say that no intimation to this effect has been received by this Government, and it is doubtful as to the action to be taken in the matter.

Read also the following paper:—

Endorsement from the Government of India, Public Works Department (General), Railway Branch, dated Simla, 23rd April 1892, No. 1201 G.

The undermentioned paper is forwarded to the Joint Secretary to the Government of Madras, Public Works Department, Railway Branch, in reply to his letter No. 760 R., dated 21st March 1892.

(By Order.)

(Signed) G. H. D. WALKER,
Under-Secretary.

From the Secretary to the Government of India, Public Works Department, to the Accountant-General, Public Works Department, dated 16th March 1892, No. 873 G.

With reference to correspondence received with your No. 208 R., dated the 26th February last, I am directed to state that the continuance, after the purchase of the line by the State, of the privilege allowed to the employes of the South Indian Railway engaged prior to 4th July 1878 of making family remittances at the contract rate of 1s. 11d. per rupee was agreed to by the Government of India in correspondence with the Secretary of State, and that it may be concluded that His Lordship decided in accordance therewith.

As regards the question of the rate to be accepted in certain cases of home payments referred to in Examiner, Guaranteed Railway Accounts' No. 112, dated 16th February 1892, I am to say that adjustments should be admitted under the terms of the contract only.

ORDER—dated 6th May 1892, No. 1176 R., Public Works.

Communicated to the Examiner, Guaranteed Railway Accounts, Madras, with reference to his letter No. 159, dated 14th March 1892.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) W. H. COAKER, Lieut.-Colonel, R.E.,
Joint Secy. to Govt., P.W.D.,
Railway Branch.

To the Consulting Engineer for Railways.
" Examiner, Guaranteed Railway Accounts.

Exd. W. J. Lewis.
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RAILWAY.

Govt. of {1892} Madras.
PUBLIC WORKS.

Dated May, 6th.

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G.O., 6th May 1892, No. 1176 R.

MAY.

Rates of Exchange

Endorsement from the Government of India forwarding copy of a Public Works Department letter regarding the — for family remittances and home payments in connection with the South Indian Railway, communicated to the Examiner, Guaranteed Railway Accounts, Madras.

All communications
should be addressed
to the Secretary.

No. 151 G.

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA.
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.
GENERAL.

To
The Joint Secretary to the Government of Madras,
Public Works Department, Railway Branch.

Calcutta, the 10th March 1893.

Sir,

With reference to your letter No. 1670 R. dated 10th November 1892, I am directed to state that intimation has been received from the Secretary of State for India of the grant with His Lordship's sanction of 6 months extension of furlough to Mr. H. Logan, Chief Engineer, South Indian Railway. The provisional sanction accorded by the Government of Madras to furlough pay being passed for the period in question is accordingly hereby confirmed.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

G. M. Walker

Under Secy. to the Govt. of India.

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Communicated
to the Consulting Engineer
for Railways with reference
to Progs: Nos: 2669 R. dated
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