

Public Works (1893) Department.

RAILWAY BRANCH.

G.O., No. 997 R

DATED 5th July

[Despatch Abstract.]

Extra troop trains. — Letter from the Govt of India directing the adjustment of certain outstanding claims against Government for accommodation provided by the Madras Railway, in — since 1885, Communicated to the Consulting Engineer for Railways.

BACK PAPERS.

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26TH MAY 1893, No. 905 R., PUBLIC WORKS.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

Railway.

Read again the following papers:—

G.O., dated 18th March 1892, No. 732 R., Public Works.

Read the following paper:—

From the Officiating Assistant Secretary to the Government of India, Public Works Department (Railway Traffic), to the Joint Secretary to the Government of Madras, Public Works Department, Railway Branch, dated Simla, the 3rd March 1892, No. 102 R.T.

As from the replies received to Public Works Department Resolution No. 939 R.T., dated 24th December 1890, it is not clear whether the provisions of paragraph 1 of the Resolution that each vehicle used for the conveyance of troops "should have conspicuously painted upon it the number of soldiers which the carriage will accommodate" have been accepted by the Railway administrations under the control of Government of Madras, I am directed to request that definite information may be furnished on this point at an early date.

2. I am to add that the Government of India attaches great importance to the accommodation being shown on the carriages in the manner indicated in the Resolution referred to.

Order—dated 18th March 1892, No. 732 R., Public Works.

Communicated to the Consulting Engineer for Railways for early report with reference to Proceedings No. 1575 R., dated 9th July 1891.

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

G.O., dated 3rd June 1892, Nos. 1419-20 R., Public Works.

Read the following papers:—

From the Agent, South Indian Railway, dated 24th March 1892, No. 463.
" Agent and Manager, Madras Railway, dated 27th April 1892, No. 6616 C/347.
" " " " 26th May " " 6616 C/424.
" " " " 28th " " " 417.

Endorsement by the Consulting Engineer for Railways, dated 30th May 1892, No. 417.

Order—dated 3rd June 1892, No. 1419 R., Public Works.

Ordered that the Government of India be addressed.

(Signed) W. H. COAKER, Lt.-Col., 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 3rd June 1892, No. 1420 R.

I am directed to acknowledge receipt of your letter No. 102 R.T., dated 3rd March 1892, inquiring whether the provisions of paragraph 1 of Government of India Resolution No. 939 R.T., dated 24th December 1890, that each vehicle used for the conveyance of troops should have conspicuously painted upon it the number of soldiers which the carriage will accommodate. In reply, I am to state that the Agent, South Indian Railway, has agreed to accept these provisions. The Agent and Manager, Madras Railway, reports that it has been arranged to paint the number within the ticket holders on the doors of all second and third class carriages.

G.O., dated 17th June 1892, Nos. 1518-19 R., Public Works.

Read the following paper:—

From the Acting Agent and Manager, Madras Railway Company, to the Consulting Engineer for Railways, dated Madras, 3rd June 1892, No. ⁶⁸¹⁶/₄₄₄ C.

With reference to your letter No. 417, dated 28th ultimo, I have the honour to inquire whether the Government has definitely consented to pay for 28 seats whenever a 2nd-class sleeping carriage is employed for the carriage of troops.

No. 468.

Endorsement by the Consulting Engineer for Railways, dated 9th June 1892.

Submitted, in continuation of endorsement No. 447, dated 30th May 1892, to Government for the orders of the Government of India.

2. The Committee assembled on the 23rd March 1891 by order of His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief for the purpose of reporting on the rolling stock of the Madras Railway recommended that 24 men should be accommodated in each 2nd-class sleeping carriage and that 28 seats should be paid for.

Order—dated 17th June 1892, No. 1518 R., Public Works.

Ordered that the Government of India be addressed in continuation of Proceedings No. 1419 R., dated 3rd June 1892.

(Signed) W. H. COAKER, Lt.-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 17th June 1892, No. 1519 R.

In continuation of my letter No. 1420 R., dated 3rd June 1892, I am directed to forward, for the orders of the Government of India, copy of the Proceedings of this Government, No. 1518 R., dated 17th June 1892, inquiring whether Government has definitely consented to pay for 28 seats whenever a 2nd-class sleeping carriage is used for the carriage of troops.

Read also the following paper:—

From the Under Secretary to the Government of India, Public Works Department (Railway Traffic), to the Joint Secretary to the Government of Madras, Public Works Department, Railway Branch, dated Simla, the 12th May 1893, No. 258 R.T.

With reference to correspondence ending with your letter No. 1519 R., dated the 17th June 1892, relative to the points dealt with in the Government of India Resolution No. 939 R.T., dated the 24th December 1890, on the subject of the transport of

troops and their baggage by railway, I am directed to communicate the following remarks in relation to the rate of payment which should be made for the number of seats allotted to officers, soldiers and followers in each type of carriage used for transporting troops.

2. The contentions of the Madras Railway in respect to the payment which should be made under rules 6, 10 and 11 of enclosure No. 2 to the Government of India Circular No. XXVI, Railway, dated the 18th September 1884, referred to in paragraph 2 of the Resolution issued under the Government of India No. 939 R.T. of the 24th December 1890 (which alone it is proposed to deal with here) appear to be confined to the following points, viz.:—

(i) that when lying-down accommodation is provided in troop extra trains, the charge at contract rates should be as for a whole carriage, whether one or all compartments of the carriage are so reserved; or that if the charge be made per single compartment reserved the ordinary public rates should apply, and

(ii) that in the case of the 2nd-class sleeping carriages, inspected by the Committee which assembled at Madras on the 23rd March 1891, payment should be made for 28 third-class seats as recommended by the Committee, the carrying capacity for the general public being 24 seats.

3. The reasons assigned for the first of these contentions is that in the case of one compartment only of a carriage being reserved by troop extra trains, the remaining compartment or compartments of the carriage necessarily run empty, and the amount derivable at contract rates for reserving a single compartment on such trains affords inadequate remuneration for the services rendered, whereas in the case of ordinary trains unreserved compartments are available for the public at full tariff rates, and it is therefore urged that rules 6 and 10 require a liberal interpretation when applied to compartments reserved for lying down or extra accommodation on troop extra trains.

In support of the second contention, the Company rely upon the reasons assigned in the Committee's report, viz., that 24 third-class fares would not give a fair return to the Company; also that, as contrasted with the ordinary 2nd-class carriages which afford lying-down accommodation for only 8 soldiers at a cost of 32 third-class fares, the 2nd-class sleeping carriages can accommodate 24 troops at a cost of 28 fares.

4. In reply, I am to say that the Government of India, after a full consideration of the matter, are prepared to concede the point that in the case of troop extra trains the Madras Railway should only be called upon to supply a whole carriage at contract rates, and that when a single compartment is reserved on such trains full tariff rates as charged to the public will be payable.

As regards the payment which should be made for the provision of lying-down accommodation in the 2nd-class sleeping carriages under discussion, I am to say that the Government of India are not disposed to relax the rule under which payment for accommodation in 2nd-class carriages is regulated by the number of fares authorized for the general public—vide rules 6 and 10 of enclosure No. 2 to the Government of India Circular No. XXVI, Railway, of 1884.

ORDER—dated 26th May 1893, No. 905 R., Public Works.

Communicated to the Consulting Engineer for Railways with reference to Proceedings No. 1518 R., dated 17th June 1892.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) F. R. UPCOTT,
Joint Secy. to Govt., P.W.D.,
Railway Branch.

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

Exd. S. J. Pereira.
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Govt. of Madras.
PUBLIC WORKS.

Dated May, 26th.

Recd.

Encl.

G.O., 26th May 1893, No. 905 R.

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Transport of Troops by Railway

Remarks by the Government of India in relation to the rate of payment which should be made for the number of seats allotted to officers, soldiers and followers in each type of carriage used for the —, communicated to the Consulting Engineer for Railways.

No. 360 R. J.

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

RAILWAY *Traffic.*

All communications
should be addressed to
the Secretary.

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

Simla, the 21st June 1893.

Sir,

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter No. 165 R., dated the 24th January 1893, and its enclosures, regarding certain outstanding claims against Government for extra accommodation provided by the Madras railway in troop extra-trains since 1885.

2. In reply, I am to inform you that the claims in question may be adjusted in

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in terms of paragraph 4 of the Government
of India letter No 258 P. I, dated the...
12th May 1893.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

J. D. K. B. W.

~~Recd~~ Recd: 28.6.93 Under Secretary.

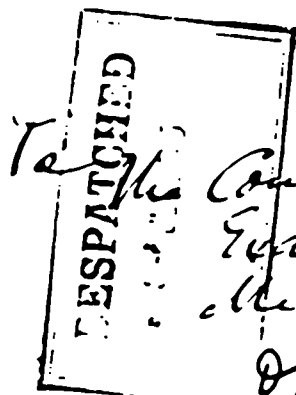
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Communicated to the
Consulting Eng^r for R.
with reference to R.
No 16.4 R of 24th Jan 1893.

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To the Comd^r for the
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