

Public Works (190⁷⁸⁷⁵) Department.

RAILWAY BRANCH.

G.O., No. 528R;

DATED 20 - 8 - 1895

[Despatch Abstract.]

Watch and Ward Establishment employed
in certain selected sections of the S. & Ry.

Forwarding to the Department of
India a copy of letter No. 745 of 8.8.95
from the Agent regarding the
and the duties performed by them

Figure 2

All communication
should be addressed
to the Secretary.

No. 15-G

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

GENERAL.

So

The Joint Secretary to the
Government of Madras.
Public Works Department.
(Railway Branch)

Valerka, the 3^d January 1895.

Yours

The Government of India have under consideration the question of the cost of the 'Watch and Ward' Establishment of Companies' lines, which appear to have been gradually increasing since the definition of the term 'Police' as laid down by the Secretary of State, was promulgated under Public Works Department Circular No. **IV** Railway of 1890.

2. I am accordingly directed to
invite your attention to the high
cost

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to give the East Indian subject a more
large and general view

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cost of the establishment for "Watch and Ward" employed on the South Indian Railway in comparison with that on other lines as brought out in the accompanying statement, and to request that the matter may be carefully investigated and a detailed analysis furnished of the numbers of men in one or more selected districts of the line and the duties performed by them.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

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Recd. 11.1.95 Your most obedient servant,

G. H. Walker

Under Secy. to the Govt. of India.
Document accompanying -
One statement

No. 182

South Indian Railway Co., Ltd.,

AGENTS' OFFICE,

TRICHINOPOLY, 26th February 1895

From

The AGENT,

SOUTH INDIAN RAILWAY,

To

The CONSULTING ENGINEER FOR RAILWAYS,

MADRAS.

Sir,

Your No. 273 of the 24th ultimo.
I doubt the correctness of some of the figures shown in the Statement which accompanied the Government of India letter as the cost of the watch and ward staff on certain Indian Railways. On the Southern Mahratta Railway, for instance, I understand that at Guntakal members of the Police force undertake the duties of Watch and Ward, but their pay is charged to Law and Order. This may be the case at other stations. On the Bombay and Baroda Railway, no watchmen are shown in the Statement as employed in the Traffic Department.

The figures quoted in the Statement under the heading of South Indian Railway appear to have been taken from

the Establishment Estimate for the Year ending 31st March 1895, the total cost per Mensem being shown as Rs 1,689. The estimate is not always acted up to, the actual expenditure for the month of December last was Rs 1,465. (11.2)

Out of a total of 222 watchmen employed, 108 are engaged in the Traffic Department. At Madras, Madurai, Trichinopoly, Tanjore, Tuticorin, Trimmally, and Negapatam a large quantity of valuable goods have to be watched daily and nightly.

The Locomotive Department employs 24 men at Negapatam and 35 men at up Country depots. A large quantity of valuable Machinery and Stores have to be guarded.

It is my opinion that the Watch and Ward Staff now employed on the South Indian Railway is a very low one, and that it should not be decreased.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,
Yours most obedient Servant
William Belth.

Agent

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SERIAL
No. 5

No 716

28.2.95

To A.

Sir,

I have the honor to point out that your letter No 182 dated 26th Feb^y 1895 does not supply the information asked for by the Govt of India in its letter No 159 dated 3rd Jan^y 1895. A detailed analysis of the numbers and duties of the "watch and ward" in one or more selected districts is called for and should be drawn up. To prepare this it will be necessary to deal separately with each man at each station on the selected district, a work no doubt of considerable labor, but which is essential if you wish to maintain the present establishment for "watch and ward". It is noted that no reference has been made in your letter under reply to the criminal tribes inhabiting the

Reminders

Recd 716 27.3.95 - ^{delivered} _{5/4/95}

1/11 716 2; 10.5.95 - ^{delivered} _{11/11}

908/1015 716 3; 7-6-95 - ^{delivered} _{will till 20th}

908/1016 716 20.6.95 - ^{delivered} _{will till 20th}

908/1017 716 5-8-7-95 - ^{delivered} _{will till 20th}

Letter under 716
28.2.95.

From
The Agent,
South Indian Railway,
Trichingopoly,
Madras.

To
The Consulting Engineer for
Railways,
Madras.

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Enclosure.

Tanjore, Trichinopoly, Madurai,
and Tinnevely districts, and where
existence must largely influence
the "watch and ward" staff required
on the S. I. Ry.

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SERIAL
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No. 15 G

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

GENERAL.

TO

THE Joint Secretary to the
Government of Madras
P. W. D. Railway

Simla, the 14th July 1895.

The undersigned is directed to invite attention
to the letter noted below, and to request that the
reply may be expedited.

G. H. Walker

Under-Secretary.

P. W. D. No. 15 G, dated 3rd Jan'y/95
requesting to be furnished with a
detailed Analysis of the numbers of
men on Watch & Ward duties in one
or more selected districts of the South
Indian Railway & the duties performed by
them.

Rey
17-7-95

P. W. CURRENT L. 5771 ✓

Form No. 7

MADRAS,

30 July

1895

To

No. 7

Agent, S. I. R.

Recd: 29.7.95

No. 2454 Reply No. , dated

Sir,

I have the honor
to request that every effort
may be made to expedite
the reply to this office letter
N: 716 dated 28th Feb 1895 as
it is urgently required by
the Govt of India.

Yrs. 24/7

Reminders.

Subject.

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SERIAL
No. 8

No. 745 South Indian Railway Co., Ltd.

AGENTS OFFICE,

TRICHINOPOLY, 8th August 1898.

From

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The AGENT.

SOUTH INDIAN RAILWAY,

The CONSULTING ENGINEER FOR RAILWAYS,

MADRAS.

SIR,

I much regret that the matter referred to in your letter No 2454 of the 30th ultimo has been under reference so long, and have the honor to give below a statement of the Watch and Ward Staff exclusive of Police maintained in April 1898 by this Company on the representative sections of the line:-

C. M. S. P.

Sections both stations inclusive	Length miles	Departments												Total	
		Engineering		Loco		Traffic		Agency		Telegraph		General Stores			
		No	Amount Rs.	No	Amount Rs.	No	Amount Rs.	No	Amount Rs.	No	Amount Rs.	No	Amount Rs.	No	Amount Rs.
(1) Madras (Egmore) to Villupuram	99	1	5	11	77	16	96	.	.	.	.	2	8	30	186
(2) Tanjore to Negapatam	48	2	10	23	230	13	78	.	.	.	.	20	120	58	438
(3) Trichinopoly Fort to Madras	99	10	58	6	40	44	249	5	59	2	12	2	10	69	428
Total	246	13	73	40	347	73	423	5	59	2	12	24	138	157	1052

The duties of the staff detailed above are as follows:-
Engineering Department - watching Rest Houses and

	and the Engineering Workshops.
<u>Locomotive Department.</u>	Watching Engines, Shed, Fuel Stacks and the Locomotive Workshops.
<u>Traffic Department</u>	Watching Goods Shed and loaded trucks standing in sidings.
<u>Agency</u>	Watching the General Offices at Trichinopoly.
<u>Telegraph Department</u>	Watching the Telegraph Workshops at Trichinopoly.
<u>General Stores Department.</u>	Watching the General Stores premises, at Negapatam, and the Depots elsewhere.

The Locomotive Workshops being located at Negapatam and the Engineering Workshops at Trichinopoly Junction, the number of watchmen employed in the Locomotive Department on the 2^d Section and in the Engineering Department on the 3^d Section are respectively larger than the numbers similarly employed on the other two sections.

It will be seen from the statement embodied above that the watching staff maintained in the Traffic Department on the Trichinopoly Fort to Madura section — containing 13 stations — is more than double the staff employed on the Madras (Egmore) to Villupuram section which is of the same length and contains

20 stations; this additional expenditure is entailed by the existence of Criminal Castles, in the District of Trichinopoly and Madura, whose predatory habits render it necessary to employ a much larger watching staff at Trichinopoly, Dindigul and Madura stations than would otherwise be required.

The total amount provided in the Establishment Rolls and Working Estimates for 1894-95, for Watch and Ward exclusive of Police is Rs. 20,274, and the actual expenditure (as shown in the appended statement) amounted to Rs. 17,997 or about Rs. 1,500. per mensem, the decrease of Rs. 2,277 being mainly in the Locomotive and Traffic Departments and due to an overestimate of actual requirements.

Particulars	Department						Total Rs.
	Engineering Rs.	Loco Rs.	Traffic Rs.	Agency Rs.	Telegraph Rs.	General Stores Rs.	
Estimate	1470	6540	9384	708	216	1956	20,274
Actual	1428	5883	7961	707	145	1873	17,997

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

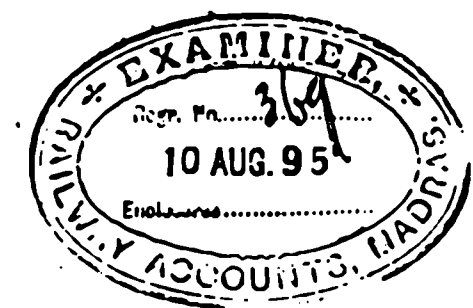
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Ag. Agent.

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Encl. 9. 8. 95

Form No. 21.
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SERIAL
No. 9



OFFICE OF THE CONSULTING ENGINEER FOR RAILWAYS,
Madras, 9th August 1895.

No. 2575

OFFICE NOTE.

Letter from the Agent, South Indian Railway, No. 745
dated 8 August 1895, forwarded to the Examiner of Railway
Accounts for favor of remarks.

CM 9/8
for E.R.

EXAMINER'S REPLY.

1. The figures given by Agent are not susceptible of check in this office.
2. In your letter N^o 716 dated 28th February last, the Agent was advised that it would be necessary "to deal separately with each man in each station on the selected district". This has not been done, but general remarks are made on the duties of the men employed in each department. If E.R. considers this sufficient the statement and explanation furnished by the Agent may

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*ER: CM 14/8
I think this is all right
to be made full 14/8*

From
The Agent,
South Indian Railway,
Trichinopoly.
To
The Consulting Engineer for
Railways,
Madras.
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of India.

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No. 528 R

Government of Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT,
RAILWAY BRANCH.

To

THE SECT. TO THE GOVT. OF INDIA,

P. W. DEPARTMENT.

Coty 20th August 1895.

SIR,

With reference
to your letter No. 159,
dated 3rd January 1895,
I am directed to forward
herewith a copy of letter
No. 745 of 8 August 1895
from the Agent S. I. Ry
regarding the "water and
road" establishment emp-
loyed in certain selected
sections of that line & the
duties performed by these
men.

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Depd from Govt
on 20-8-95

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to 325 Rd 20-5-95

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