

Public Works (1897) Department.

G.O., No. 502 R

DATED 26 July 1897

[Despatch Abstract.]

Rules and Regulations; Letter to the Govt of
India requesting the favour of a reply
to letter suggesting a modification of
Rule 231 of the General — of 1875 for the
lines of railway.

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G.O.	No.	Department.	Date.	G.O.	No.	Department.	Date.

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Railway Department.

OFFICE OF THE CONSULTING ENGINEER FOR RAILWAYS,

Madras, 7th May 1897.
To A

No. 1589 Reply No. , dated

SIR.

With reference to your letter No. 491 dt 6.5.77 I have the honor to state that the Post of India has been advised on the subject.

MM 7/5

Reminders.

Despatched on 7/5/97.

From
THE AGENT,
SOUTH INDIAN RAILWAY,
Trichinopoly.
To
THE CONSULTING ENGINEER FOR
RAILWAYS,
Madras.
Dated }
Received }
No. 189
ENCLOSURE.

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No. 736

South Indian Railway Co., Ltd.

AGENT'S OFFICE,

Trichinopoly, 19th July 1897.

From

THE AGENT,
SOUTH INDIAN RAILWAY,

To

THE CONSULTING ENGINEER
FOR RAILWAYS,
MADRAS.

Sir,

Referring to your letter No. 1589 dated
7th May 1897, regarding a modification
of the General Rules so far as regards
the working of Trollies, I have the honor
to enquire whether a reply has been
received from the Government of India
on the subject.

I have the honor to be
Sir.

Your most obedient servant.

A. B. G. Shetty.

Captain R.R.
Agent.

W.S.

20/7/97



Form No. 10.

Railway Department.

OFFICE OF THE CONSULTING ENGINEER FOR RAILWAYS,

Madras, 22nd July 1897.

To

Agent S. I. R.

No. 2400 Reply No. , dated

SIR,

Adverting to your letter No. 736 dt 19.7.97 I have the honor to state that the report a reply has not yet been received from the Govt of India.

C.M. 20/7.

Reminders.

After issue to ER.
ER. Should be remind. our letter to India is dated 27 April. C.M.

J. G. M.
23/7

Despatched on 22-7-97.

From
THE AGENT,
SOUTH INDIAN RAILWAY,
Tiruchinopoly.
To
THE CONSULTING ENGINEER FOR
RAILWAYS,
Madras.
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Government of Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT,
RAILWAY BRANCH.

To
THE SECY. TO THE GOVT. OF INDIA,
P. W. DEPARTMENT.

Leila.
Order received 26.7.97.

SIR,

*I am directed
to request the favour of a
reply to my letter No. 290 R,
dated the 27th April 1897,
suggesting ~~some~~ modification
of rule 231 of the General
Rules and Regulations of 1895 for
Open lines of railway.*

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R
24/7

Document to be completed 26.7.97.
- Nil -

24/7/97

OS. Sec!

Public (1897) Department.

CURRENT No. 8136

From Govt of India

Order No 2721 of 20/8/97.

Copy forwarded to

No. 629 R.T.

for information to the reference

to correspondence and in reply

this office letter No 2400 of 22/7/97

and No 2680 of 17/8/97

Dated 7.8.97

Received

Registered

Enclosures

Spare copies

SUBJECT.

Open line General Rules.

Informing that the question of reconstructing Rule 231 of the — has been referred to the Secretary to the Railway Conference and that necessary orders will issue on receipt of reply.

• Disposal of MS CN 2475 being at fair column

Despatched on 20/8/97

BACK PAPERS.

G.O.	No.	Department.	Date.

FURTHER PAPERS.

G.O.	No.	Department.	Date.

All communications
should be addressed
to the Secretary.

RECEIVED
16 AUG. 1897

No. 629 R.T.
GOVERNMENT OF INDIA.
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.
RAILWAY TRAFFIC.

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

Simla, the 9th August 1897.

Sir,

In reply to your letter No. 502 R., dated the 26th
July 1897, I am directed to inform you that the question
of reconstructing Rule 231 of the open line General Rules
has been referred to the Secretary to the Railway Conference
who, it is understood, has addressed the administrations of
the several railways with a view to obtain their opinions
on the subject. On receipt of a reply to that letter the
necessary orders will issue.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant.

Montagu
Captain, R.E.,
Assistant Secretary.

Documents accompanying :-
Nil.

S.A.

21 Agents will probably
 send replies direct to
 Secy Rly Conference. Please
 say if we may ask for
 copies. Please mark if for
 ER. 10913/8/97

yes 11/1/98

draft being copied

No. 41.

FROM

THE SECRETARY, RAILWAY CONFERENCE,

TO

THE AGENTS, EAST INDIAN, INDIAN MIDLAND, GREAT INDIAN PENINSULA, BOMBAY,
 BARODA AND CENTRAL INDIA, SOUTHERN MAHRATTA, SOUTH INDIAN, AND
 BURMA RAILWAYS.
 THE AGENTS AND CHIEF ENGINEERS, BENGAL-NAGPUR, BENGAL CENTRAL, BENGAL
 AND NORTH-WESTERN, ROHILKUND AND KUMAUN, AND ASSAM-BENGAL RAIL-
 WAYS.
 THE AGENTS AND MANAGERS, MADRAS AND THE NIZAM'S GUARANTEED STATE RAIL-
 WAYS.
 THE MANAGERS, NORTH WESTERN, OUDH AND ROHILKHAND, EASTERN BENGAL,
 EAST COAST, AND JODHPORE-BICKANEER RAILWAYS.
 THE MANAGER AND ENGINEER-IN-CHIEF, BHAVNAGAR-GONDAL-JUNAGARH-PORBAN-
 DAR RAILWAY.
 THE SECRETARY, CALCUTTA PORT COMMISSIONERS' RAILWAY.
 THE GENERAL MANAGER AND CHIEF ENGINEER, DARJEELING-HIMALAYAN RAILWAY.
 THE MANAGER AND EXECUTIVE ENGINEER, MORVI RAILWAY.
 THE MANAGER AND CHIEF ENGINEER, BENGAL DOOARS RAILWAY.

Simla, the 4th August 1897.

SIR,

I am directed to forward herewith copy of Government of India letter No.
 588 R.T., dated the 24th July 1897, regarding rule 231 of the Open Line Gen-
 eral Rules of 1895, and to request that the President may be informed whether any
 difficulty has been experienced in working the rule in question, and if so, whether
 the enclosed modification of the rule would meet the requirements of the case.

I have the honour to be,

SIR,

Your most obedient Servant,

H. BONHAM-CARTER, Captain, R.E.,
 Secretary.

Document accompanying.

Copy of Government of India letter No. 588 R.T.,
 dated 24th July 1897, and enclosure.

No. 42, dated the 4th August 1897.

Copy forwarded to the Senior Government Inspectors for Railways, Bombay,
 Madras, Calcutta, Lucknow, Assam and Burma, for information.

By order,

Captain, R.E.,
 Secretary.

G. C. Press, Simla.—No. 805 P. W. D.—5-8-97.—170.

To The Senior Govt Inspectors for Rlys.
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 Madras

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Enclosure to Railway Conference letter No. 41 of 1897.

No. 588 R.T., dated 24th July 1897.

From—The Secretary to the Government of India, Public Works Department,

To—The Secretary, Railway Conference.

With reference to rule 231 of the Open Line General Rules of 1895, as modified by Government of India, Circular No. 3 Railway, dated the 22nd May 1896, I am directed to state that it has been represented that rule 231 is not clear, as it is doubtful whether it is intended to be applicable only to vehicles which must be shunted back to a station in order to clear the line or whether it is also applicable to temporary obstructions which can be removed before a train is due. In the latter case it is stated to be impossible where distances between stations are long and trains frequent, to observe rule 231 if operations are to be carried on involving the use of lorries, which can be unloaded and removed from the line, as it frequently happens that no time is available for giving to the nearest Station Master the notice therein prescribed.

2. The Government of India accordingly desire to know whether this difficulty has been generally experienced and if so, to obtain the opinion of the Railway Conference whether the enclosed modification of the rule would meet the requirements of the case.

Annexure to enclosure to Railway Conference letter No. 41 of 1897.

231.—The above rules 226-230 apply only to vehicles which can, when unloaded, be lifted off the line by a proper complement of men, and do not apply to any vehicle which cannot be so lifted, and which has consequently to be run to a station to allow trains to pass. When such a vehicle is propelled between stations otherwise than as part of a train, rules 62, 63, 64, 65, 66 and 67 governing the running of ballast trains shall be applicable, the person in charge being responsible for the duties therein prescribed for guards.

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11/8/97

Form No. 4.

OFFICE OF THE CONSULTING ENGINEER FOR RAILWAYS,

Madras, 17th August 1897.

To

AGENT AND MANAGER, M. R.

No. 2680 Reply No. 863 of 25.8.97 from A.
dated

SIR,

With reference to
I have the honor

to forward herewith ⁴¹ Memo
Letter No. 42 of 4th August 1897 from
the Govt of India enclosing
a letter from the Secretary
Railways, Bangalore, regarding
rule 231 of the Open
line General Rules of
1895 and to request that
the favor of being
furnished with a copy
of this reply ^{thereof} ~~that may~~
be sent to the Secretary

16/8/97

Reminders.
No 2680 d 14.9.97
1st Reminders to N. Ry & E.C. Ry

Despatched on 17/8/97

Subject.

Similar letter to A. A. M. Nij
and Manager E.C.R.

17/8/97

RRR

South Indian Railway.

Copy of a letter, No. F 1063/9/3678, dated 25th August 1897
from the Agent, South Indian Railway, to the Secretary Railway Conference
Simla.

In reply to your letter No.41 dated 4th August
1897 I have the honor to inform you that it has been found im-
possible on this Railway to comply with Rule 231 of the Open
Line General Rules of 1895 in respect to the working of lorries
and that our inability to do so was brought to the notice of the
Consulting Engineer in March 1897. The rule suggested by the
Government of India will I think meet all requirements.

AGENT'S OFFICE,
TRICHINOPOLY,
25th August 1897

True Copy.

Accompaniment to the Agent's letter No. 863
of 25th August 1897.

W. H. McCurran
for Agent.

Wae G.

PR. P. P.

ENC. No. 1 TO E. R. C. No. 3709 OF 1897
 LETTER No. 863 OF 25. 8. 97
 FROM [illegible]

[Illegible text, likely a letter or report, mostly upside down]

No. 863

South Indian Railway Co., Ltd.

AGENT'S OFFICE,

Trichinopoly, 25th August 1897

From

THE AGENT,
 SOUTH INDIAN RAILWAY,

To

THE CONSULTING ENGINEER
 FOR RAILWAYS,
 MADRAS.

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Sir,

In compliance with the request made in your letter No. 2680 of the 17th August 1897 I have the honour to forward herewith a copy of my letter No. F. 1063/9 of today to the Secretary to the Railway Conference, replying to his letter regarding a proposed modification of Rule No. 231 of the General Rules for Open lines of Railways.

I have the honor to be
 Sir

Your most obedient servant

W. S. Mesurier
 for Agent

Enclosure
 [Signature]

Enclosure
 [Signature]

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MADRAS RAILWAY.

No 9547
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AGENT AND MANAGER'S OFFICE.

MADRAS, 11th September 1897

From

The Agent and Manager of the

Madras Railway Company.

To

The Secretary,
Railway Conference,
Simla,

SIR,

In reply to your letter No 41 dated 4th August 1897, I have the honor to inform you that difficulty has been experienced on this Railway in working Rule 231 of the Open line, and it is considered that the proposed modification of the rule enclosed with your letter will meet the requirements of the case.

I have &c

Sy. H. C. West.

Ag Agent & Manager.

(True copy)

W. C. West

Ag Agent & Manager.

From

THE AGENT,

SOUTH INDIAN RAILWAY,

Trichinopoly.

To

THE CONSULTING ENGINEER FOR

RAILWAYS,

Madras.

Dated

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Received

No.

ENCLOSURE.

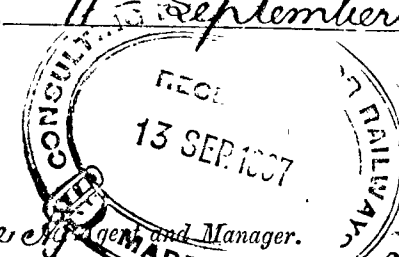
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 No. 9547
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MADRAS RAILWAY.

AGENT AND MANAGERS' OFFICE,

Madras, 11th September 1897.



From

awaiting reply from
 Drigam's & Co. To

The Agent and Manager.
 Madras Railway.

No 2680 dated 14.9.97

SIR,

The Consulting Engineer for Railways.

Madras.

With reference to your letter No. 2680 dated 17th August 1897, I have the honor to enclose, for your information, copy of my reply to letter No. 41 dated 14th August 1897 from the Secretary, Railway Conference.

I have the honor to be,
 Sir,
 Your most obedient servant,

Henry Cress
 Agt Agent & Manager.

Enclosure.

W. B.

RR. 1/10



In your reply please quote the number and date of this letter.

Form No. Mgr. 19.

No. 111/1

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23/9/97

From

THE MANAGER,
East Coast Railway.

To

THE CONSULTING ENGINEER for RAILWAYS.

M A D R A S.

Dated Waltair. the 11 Sept. 1897.

Sir.

In reply to your No. 2680/1. dated 14th instant, I have the honor to inform you that the question regarding the modification of Rule 231 of the Open Line General rules of 1895 is under reference with the Heads of Departments of this Railway and as soon as their replies are received and a report sent to the Secretary of the Railway Conference, you will be communicated with on the subject.

I have the honor to be.

Sir.

Your most obedient Servant.

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Copy of letter No. 1775 W. dated 31st
August 1897 from the Agent & Manager, N.G.
S. Railway, Secunderabad to the Secretary, Rail-
way Conference, Simla.

With reference to your printed
communication No. 41 dated 4th instant, I
have the honor to state that up to the present,
we have had no difficulty in working to Rule
231.

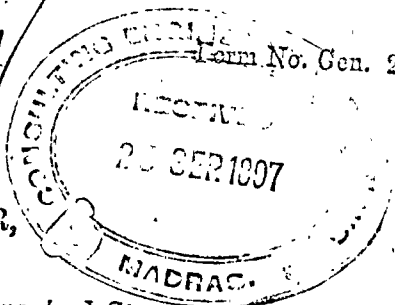
I have always constructed this rule
to apply to trucks or vehicles which could be lifted
off the line by a proper complement of men.
But I now see that it is somewhat vague.
The proposed modification would I think put
the matter right.

I have, etc
Sd/ W. Pendlebury
Agent & Manager
N.G. S. Railway

Eng. No. 1 4153 - 1907
 1899/10 21. 9. 97
 From Am N.C.S. Ry

P. W. O. No. 310-28-5-96-5,000

NO. 1899/10



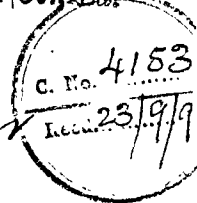
From

THE AGENT AND MANAGER,

H. H. Be. Nizam's Guaranteed State Rys. Co., Ltd.

To

2 Currents To Consulting Engineer
for Railways
Madras.



Dated Secunderabad, (Deccan) 21st Sept. 1907.

ENCLOSURE. one

REFERENCE.

Sir,

With reference to your letter no. 2680 dated 14th instant, I have the honor to forward herewith a copy of my no. 1775 dated 31st August last addressed to the Secretary Railway Conference Simla in reply to his printed Communication no. 41 dated 4th August.

Awaiting reply from ECR

23/9/07

ACK

I have the honor to be

Your most obedt Servt.

Copy of letter No.7894 dated 25th September 1897. from the
Manager E.C.Railway. to the Secretary Railway Conference Simla.

In reply to your Circular No.41 dated 4th August 1897, I
have the honor to say that owing to the small number of trains
run on this line no difficulty in working to the existing rule
has hitherto been experienced.

2. It is however considered that for the case ^{of} heavy traffic
the proposed modification is desirable and will meet the require-
ments of the case.

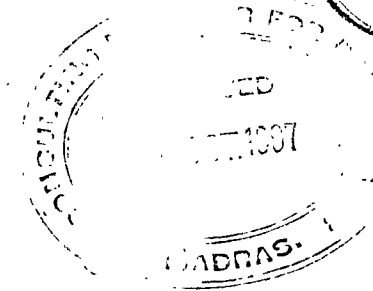
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ENC. NO. 1 TO THE MGR. NO. 4443 OF 1907
LETTER NO. 7857 OF 6.10.97
FROM *ecr*

In your reply please quote the number and date of this letter.

No. 7861

Form No. Mgr. 1907/10/97



From

The MANAGER,
East Coast Railway.

To

THE CONSULTING ENGINEER for RAILWAYS.

MADRAS.

Dated Waltair. the 6th October 1897.

Sir.

In continuation of this Office No. 7447 dated 20th September 1897, I have the honor to forward copy of my reply No. 7304 dated 25th idem to the Secretary Railway conference regarding the modification of Rule 231 of the Open Line General Rules of 1895.

SM no action seems necessary I have the honor to be.
all the railways are agreed
our opinion has not been
asked. *HT 11/10/97*

Sir.

Your most obedient Servant.

McDonald
Major R.E.

File 7/11
13/10/97

Offg. Manager.

AS
6/10

Accompaniments.

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Copy of a letter No 2392/2951 dated 2nd November
1897 from the Executive Engineer, Penner to the
Engineer-in-Chief B D R.

" Your No B 578/289 A of 1st Nov 97

With reference to your above I have the honor
to state that what I require is a modification of
the Government of India rule which states that in
placing material lorries on the road the line
must be blocked. and in working (as we shall be
on a short section at a time this may cause
delay to our work where the gangs are altering
the line some miles distant from a station.

And it is this modification of the rule
which the Chief Engineer of the S S Ry refers and
which I understood the Govt Inspector has no
power to alter.

As far as possible the work will be done
without "lorries" and only about 3 will be kept on
the work to occasionally carry small material
and perhaps a few rails and sleepers (see my
No 2262 of the 26th October) the rails and sleepers
are being delivered along side the line where they
will be required so as to save the cost and labor
of further carriage.

Caution Signals will be kept up half a
mile on each side of the work and the speed of
all trains will be reduced to 5 miles per hour
and as the work will be done in the day time

Since there will be no delay whatever to the passing of the trains as the approximate time of arrival of each train is known. Mr. Kirby being already supplied with a copy of the working time table so that even if the rule is relaxed to the same conditions as for working of light running lorries there would be no fear of accident.

SLM

NO. 1	TO E. P. O. No. 4884 of 1907.
1	EN NO. 259A 6-11-97
FROM	En. in ch. B. H. R.

In your reply please quote the number and date of this letter.

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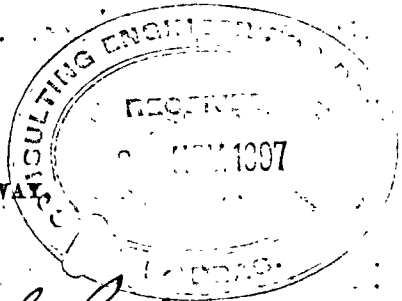
From

THE ENGINEER-IN-CHIEF,

BEZWADA-MADRAS RAILWAY

To

THE Consulting Engineer for Railways
Madras



Dated Madras, the 6th November 1897.

Sir,

I have the honor to forward a copy of letter 2392/2951 of November 2nd from the Executive Engineer and to enquire if the proposed revision of rules for the working of lorries has come into force.

2. I am informed by the Chief Engineer South Indian Railway that application for revision has been made and that it is proposed by the Govt. of India to alter as follows.

3. 231. The above rules 225, 230 apply only to vehicles which can, "when unloaded be lifted off the line by a proper arrangement of men" and do not apply to any vehicle which cannot be so lifted, and which has consequently to be run to a station to allow trains to pass. When such a vehicle is propelled between stations otherwise than as part of a train, rules 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, and by governing the running of haulage trains shall be applicable, the person in charge being responsible for the duties therein prescribed.

Vide slip B
on how rule is
issued

Slips R & M

Enclosures.

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Railway Department.

OFFICE OF THE CONSULTING ENGINEER FOR RAILWAYS,
Madras, 12 November 1897

To

The Engineer-in-Chief.
B. M. Ry

No. 3478 Reply No. , dated

Prescribed for guards.

4. The lorries the Executive Engineer refers to are light material lorries, easily unloaded and lifted off the line, and if the revised rule has come into force I have to ask your sanction to applying it to light material lorries to be used on the conversion of the Gudalur Bellare Section from Metric to Broad Gauge.

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your most obedient servant.

Edw. J. Mox

Engineer-in-Chief

EJ M

Reminders.

Sir,

With reference to your letter No B 6750 dated 259 A 6.11.97, I have the honour to state that the copies of the Book of Form on the application for reconstructing Rule 231 of the open line General Rules have not yet been received.

Yours faithfully,
C. M. 11

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