

Public Works (1897) Department.

G.O., No. 379 R

DATED 27 May 1897

[Despatch Abstract.]

Personal allowance: Letter to the Govt
of India requesting sanction to the
Grant of a - of Rs. 100 per annum from
1st July 1897 to Mr. A. J. Smith, Resident
Engineer, S. I. Railway.

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SOUTH INDIAN RAILWAY COMPANY, LIMITED.

AGENT'S OFFICE,

No. 526.

Trichinopoly, 24th March, 1897.

SIR,

NEW WORKS.

* The sanction of Government has been accorded to the following works:—

- (1). *Constructing the body of an Inspection Carriage for the Consulting Engineer for Railways, Madras, Rs. 5,633, chargeable to Revenue.*

This is the work referred to in my letter No. 499 and your letter No. 178.

The difference between the amount now sanctioned by Government and that mentioned in your letter above quoted is due to the carriage to be altered being one of the 37 Cleminson's carriages referred to in your letter No. 164, and to the cost of altering the underframe and of substituting Fox's bogies for the Cleminson's arrangement being included in the general estimate for the conversion of the running gear of the 37 vehicles, vide the remarks on this matter in my letter No. 523.

REBUILDING THE KITCHEN ATTACHED TO THE STAFF QUARTERS BUNGALOW
AT NEGAPATAM, OCCUPIED BY THE GENERAL STOREKEEPER.

Referring to the sanction to the above mentioned work communicated in my letter No. 489 of 7th July, 1896, I have to inform you that as the out-houses attached to the kitchen are in a dilapidated state, and require to be demolished and rebuilt, a *revised* Estimate amounting to Rs 1,469, chargeable to Revenue, has been submitted to, and sanctioned by, Government for the entire work of dismantling and re-constructing the kitchen and two out-houses.

CAPITAL AND REVENUE ACCOUNTS.

PROVIDENT INSTITUTION.

I have placed in the packet six advices, received from the Manager of the Provident Institution, showing the amounts standing to the credit of yourself and the members of the London Office, on the 31st December, 1896.

FRACTURE OF AN ENGINE DRIVING AXLE ON 11TH FEBRUARY, 1897.

I regret to have to report that while No. 72 mixed train was running between Putalapattu and Pakala Junction stations on the 11th February, 1897, the left driving axle of "F" class engine No. 128 attached to the train fractured at mile G. $2\frac{3}{4}$. No one was however injured.

The point of fracture is the same as that shown on drawing No. 619, a ferrotype copy of which accompanied my letter No. 522 of 24th February, 1897.

The Locomotive Superintendent states the engine was purchased from the C. N. S. Railway on 15th September, 1887, attributes the failure to a flaw in the metal, and gives the following particulars regarding the axle:—

Diameter of Axle	...	...	5 $\frac{3}{8}$ inches.
Do. Journal	...	...	4 $\frac{5}{8}$ inches.
Makers' name	...	...	Vulcan Foundry.

APPOINTMENT OF DEPUTY CHIEF ENGINEER.

I have placed in the post packet a copy of letter No. $\frac{8}{1887}$ dated 13th March, 1897, from the Chief Engineer advocating that the title of Deputy Chief Engineer be conferred on his senior Resident Engineer Mr. F. F. Smith, with increased salary corresponding to scale of pay now drawn by the Deputy Traffic Manager. Mr. Smith is an excellent officer of long service, and thoroughly deserves any recognition of his devotion to duty, which the Board may be pleased to bestow. At the same time I have to point out that so far as I am aware the designation of Deputy Chief Engineer does not exist on any Indian Railway, and I do not recommend the appointment on increased pay being permanently introduced on this line. There are, so far as I can see, no serious objections to the appointment being conferred on Mr. Smith as a personal distinction, with such higher salary as the Board may think suitable.

BOGIES, &c., FOR 37 CLEMINSON'S CARRIAGES.

Indent No. $\frac{34}{8}$, Bolster Bars. The General Storekeeper reports that none of the Bolster Bars indented for in this Indent have been received. I understand that these Bolster Bars, of which a drawing was sent to you by the mail of 10th March, 1897, should have been supplied by the Leeds Forge Company under their Contract, No. 398, and are shewn in the Invoice of shipment per S.S. "Cheshire" in September, 1896.

As the Bars are urgently required to enable the conversion of the underframes being put in hand, I shall be glad if you can make special arrangements for their being supplied as soon as possible.

TRAFFIC RECEIPTS.

Week ending 29th Febry., 1896, Rs. 1,59,287- 7- 7, Miles 1,042, per mile Rs. 153
Do. 27th Febry., 1897, ,, 2,01,235 -0- 1, ,, 1,042, ,, ,, 193

The passenger, and goods, earnings are shewn below:—

PASSENGER EARNINGS.

Week ending 29th February, 1896, Rs. 76,979, Miles 1,042, per mile Rs. 74
Do. 27th February, 1897, ,, 1,15,580, ,, 1,042, ,, ,, 111

The receipts of the 1897 period include the return passengers traffic from the Mahamagam feast.

GOODS EARNINGS.

Week ending 29th February, 1896, Rs. 71,532, Miles 1,042, per mile Rs. 69
Do. 27th February, 1897, ,, 78,303, ,, 1,042, ,, ,, 75

The details of Goods receipts are as under:—

	W. E. 29th February, 1896.	W. E. 27th February, 1897.
	Rs. 32	Rs. 19
Animals, living		
Coal and Coke (<i>carried for the Public and for Foreign Railways</i>)	205	2
Cotton, raw	888	549
Cotton, manufactured	3,447	5,019
Drugs and Chemicals	245	267
Dyes and Tans	1,478	2,921
Grain and Pulse	16,452	15,850
Hides and Skins	1,712	1,628
Horns	6	8
Jute	927	1,021
Lac	25	47
Leather, manufactured	24	20
Liquors	401	544
Metals	2,729	2,334
Oils	2,213	2,501
Oil-seeds	5,825	3,246
Opium	—	—
Paper and Paste board	165	390
Provisions	2,766	4,088
Railway Plant and Rolling Stock (<i>carried for the Public and for Foreign Railways</i>)	80	3,070
Salt	4,613	3,812

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Saltpetre, &c.	Rs.	68	Rs.	99
Silk, raw	"	82	"	1
Silk Piece Goods	"	—	"	—
Spices	"	2,841	"	3,858
Stone and Lime	"	2,766	"	2,735
Stone for Madras Harbour Works	"	—	"	8
Sugar	"	6,486	"	7,965
Tea	"	33	"	41
Timber	"	2,407	"	1,856
Tobacco	"	872	"	947
Wool, raw	"	50	"	33
Wool, manufactured	"	11	"	48
All other articles of Merchandize	"	11,683	"	13,376

I have placed in the post packet, the Traffic Manager's report explaining the principal fluctuations in the goods traffic, together with his statements of foreign traffic passed through the several Junction stations, for the above period.

LIST OF DOCUMENTS FORWARDED.

Printed copy of the Agent's letter to the Board, No. 525, (6 copies).

Audited Traffic Return, w. e. 27th February, 1897, S. I. Ry. (4 copies).

Do. do. do. M. M. Ry. (4 copies).

Approximate Traffic Return, w. e. 13th March, 1897, S. I. Ry. (4 copies).

Do. do. do. M. M. Ry. (4 copies).

Traffic Manager's Statement of passenger bookings on the South Indian Railway, for week ending 27th February, 1897.

Do. Report, explaining the principal fluctuations in the Goods traffic, for week ending 27th February, 1897.

Do. Statement of foreign traffic passed through Junction stations, for week ending 27th February, 1897, (2 copies).

Advices from the Manager of the South Indian Railway Provident Institution showing the amounts at credit of the London Office Establishment on 31st December, 1896, (6 copies).

Capital Statements and Revenue Accounts of the South Indian Railway for the 2nd half of 1896, with the autograph signatures of the officers of the Company and of Government.

Capital Statements and Revenue Accounts of the Mayavaram-Mutupet Railway for the 2nd half of 1896, (6 copies).

Copy of letter No. S. T. 585 of 13th March, 1897, from the Chief Engineer advocating that the title of Deputy Chief Engineer be conferred on Resident Engineer Mr. F. F. Smith.

GOVERNMENT PAPERS.

Government of India.

Resolution No. 139 A. R., 23rd February, 1897, drawing the attention of the Local

Governments and Administrations to certain irregularities pointed out in the Accountant General's Note of 13th January, 1897, No. 17 R., on Suspense balances, Objectionable outlay, and Floating cheques at the end of the official year 1895-96.

Letter No. 224 R. T., 6th March, 1897, with enclosure, issuing instructions for checking the spread of infection from Districts affected with the Bubonic Plague to other parts of India.

Letter No. 227 R. T., 8th March, 1897, with enclosures, calling for the views of certain Railway Administrations on a copy of the Director General of Railways' letter suggesting certain revised rules for the carriage of matches by Railway.

Government of Madras.

Proceedings No. 114, Revenue, 23rd February, 1897, recording a Circular from the Government of India forwarding for information a Despatch from the Secretary of State regarding Famine Relief Administration in India.

Proceedings No. 316 M., 26th February, 1897, communicating to the President, Municipal Commission, Madras, and to all Collectors, the Circular of the Sanitary Commissioner regarding the importation of certain articles in connection with the Bubonic Plague.

Proceedings No. 423 M., 8th March, 1897, ordering the republication, in the Fort St. George Gazette, of the Notification issued by the Resident in Mysore regarding the Bubonic Plague.

Proceedings No. 424 M., 8th March, 1897, ordering the republication, in the Fort St. George Gazette, of the Notification issued by the Chief Commissioner of Coorg regarding the Bubonic Plague.

Proceedings No. 442 M., 9th March, 1897, ordering the republication of the Notification of the Government of India prohibiting the embarkation, on any ship at any port in British India with the object of proceeding as an emigrant or as a labourer to any port out of British India, of any person who has since 1st January, 1897, resided or been in or passed thro' the territories administered by the Government of Bombay.

I am,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

A. D. G. SHELLEY,

CAPTAIN, R. E.,
Agent.

H. W. NOTMAN Esq.,

Managing Director,

LONDON.

Extract from the Managing Director's Letter No. 190, dated London,
the 30th April 1897.

Subject.

Appointment of Deputy Chief Engineer.

Extract:— With reference to the paragraph under this head in your No:526, of 24th March last, the Board do not consider it expedient under present circumstances to re-introduce the post of Deputy Chief Engineer, nor do they consider it desirable to grant that title as a temporary distinction, personal to Mr:F.F.Smith.

The Directors, however, agree with you and the Chief Engineer, that some recognition should be made of the valuable service rendered by that Officer, who was appointed to the grade he now occupies more than 20 years ago. They have therefore been pleased to authorise you to make application to Government for the grant to Mr.Smith of a personal allowance of Rs.100 per mensem, making with his present salary of Rs.900 a total of Rs.1000 per month. The increase to take effect from 1st July 1897.

AGENT'S OFFICE,
TRICHINOPOLY,

19th May 1897.

Accompaniment to the Agent's letter No.
of _____ 189 .

(True Extract)

Chief Clerk, Agent's Office.



South Indian Railway

ENG. NO. 1 TO E. P. C. No. 2260
LET. NO. 548 OF 19.5.97
FROM A

With reference to the paragraph under this head in your No. 100 of 24th March last, the Board do not consider it expedient under present circumstances to re-introduce the post of Deputy Chief Engineer, nor do they consider it desirable to grant that title as a temporary distinction, but to Mr. F. F. Smith.

The Directors, however, agree with you and the Chief Engineer that some recognition should be made of the value of the service rendered by that Officer, who was appointed to the grade he now occupies more than 20 years ago. They have therefore been pleased to authorize you to make application to Government for the grant to Mr. Smith of a personal allowance of Rs. 100 per mensem, making with his present salary of Rs. 900 a total of Rs. 1,000 per month. The increase to take effect from 1st July 1897.

No. 548

South Indian Railway Co., Ltd.

AGENT'S OFFICE,

Trichinopoly, 19th May 1897.

From

THE AGENT,
SOUTH INDIAN RAILWAY,

To

THE CONSULTING ENGINEER
FOR RAILWAYS,
MADRAS.

Sir,

I have the honor to inform you that at the instance of the Chief Engineer I applied to the Board of Directors in my letter No. 526 dated 24th March 1897 for an increase of salary to Resident Engineer Mr. F. F. Smith with the title of Deputy Chief Engineer as a personal distinction. From the accompanying extract from the Managing Director's letter No. 190 dated 30th April 1897 you will see that the Board, while considering it inexpedient to grant the title of Deputy Chief Engineer to Mr. F. F. Smith, have approved of my applying to Government for sanction to the disbursement to him from 1st July 1897 of a personal allowance of Rs. 100 per mensem. I have therefore to request the sanction of Government to the grant of the personal allowance approved by the Board and trust that this application will receive your support.

I have the honor to be
Sir

Your most obedient servant

A. G. Kelley,
Agent

1 Enclosure

23/5/97

26/5/97

No. 379.22

Government of Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT,
RAILWAY BRANCH.

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

Sir
Costacum the 27th May 1897.

SIR,

In forwarding here with the accompanying copy of letter no. 548 of 19th May 1897. from the Agent S. I. Railway, I am directed to request the sanction of the Government of India to the proposal to grant, Resident Engineer, Mr. L. F. Smith, a personal allowance of Rs 100/- per mensem from 1st July 1897. The approval of the Board of Directors has been communicated in the enclosed extract from the Managing Director's letter no. 190 of 30th April 1897.

*Documents accompanying:-
Copy of letter from the Agent S. I. Railway to the Enclosure referred to*

26/5/97

C. No. 2260
Recd 20/5/97

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

Public Works (1897) Department.

CURRENT No. 6149

From Govt of India

Order No. 2115 of 25/6/97

Copied forwarded to
A with reference to his
letter No. 548 of 19.5.97

No. 1597 G

Dated 17th June 1897

Received 24.6.97

Registered — —

Enclosures

Spare copies

Copied to C.A. for
information.

CPM

for S.A.

Despatched on 25/6/97

SUBJECT.

Mr. F. F. Smith Resident Engineer
S. D. Ry. Communicating
sanction to the grant to —
of a personal allowance of
Rs 100 per mensem.

25/6/97

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Ref

No. 379. A. dated 27.5.97

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*All communications
should be addressed
to the Secretary.*

No. 1597 G.

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

GENERAL.

To

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

Simla, the 17th June 1897.

Sir,

In reply to your letter No.379 R.,dated 27th May 1897,
I am directed to communicate the sanction of the Government
of India, to the grant to Mr.F.F.Smith Resident Engineer
South Indian Railway of a personal allowance of Rs.100
per mensem in addition to his salary of Rs.900 with
effect from 1st July 1897; as approved by the Board in
their letter No.190 dated 30th April 1897.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

GA Walker

Under Secy.to the Govt.of India.

Documents accompanying:-

Nil.

S.A.