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 1895 for open lines of railway.

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[P.W. 25. / 5,000—30-11-96.]

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No. 491

South Indian Railway Co., Ld.

AGENT'S OFFICE,

Trichinopoly, 6th May 1897.

From

THE AGENT,
SOUTH INDIAN RAILWAY,

To

THE CONSULTING ENGINEER
FOR RAILWAYS,
MADRAS.

Sir,

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7/5

I have the honor to remind you of my letter No. 318 of the 19th March 1897 on the subject of a modification of the last paragraph of Rule 231 of the General Rules and Regulations of 1895 and to request the favor of a reply thereto. 7/5

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedient Servant
A. W. G. Shelley
Captn R.E.
Agent

C.E. No. 2025
Recd. 7/5/97

From
The Agent,
South Indian Railway,
Trichinopoly.
To
The Consulting Engineer for
Railways,
Madras.
Dated } 189
Received }
No.
Enclosure.

Form No. 10.

Railway Department.

Office of the Consulting Engineer for Railways,
Madras, 7th May 1897.

To
A

No. 1589 Reply No. , dated

Reminders.

Sir.

With reference to your letter No. 491 dd 6.5.97 I have the honor to state that the Govt of India has been addressed on the subject.

7/5

Despatched on 7/5/97

7/5/97

No. 736 **South Indian Railway Co., Ld.**
AGENT'S OFFICE,
Trichinopoly, 19th July 1897.

From

THE AGENT,
SOUTH INDIAN RAILWAY,

To

THE CONSULTING ENGINEER
FOR RAILWAYS,
MADRAS.

CM 20/7

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. D. G. Shelley.
Captain R.E.
Agent.

WS

21/7/97.

P.V.
20/7/97

C. No. 3132
Recd. 20/7/97

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From

The Agent,
South Indian Railway,
Trichinopoly.

To

The Consulting Engineer for Railways,
Madras.

Dated } No.
Received } 189 .

Enclosure.

Form No. 10.

Railway Department.

Office of the Consulting Engineer for Railways,
Madras, 22nd July 1897.

To

Agent S. I. Ry

No. 2400 Reply No. , dated

Sir,

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

CMH 20/7.

Reminders.

After Issue to ER.

ER. Shall we remind. Our letter to India is dated 27 April.

CRH.

FM 23/7

Despatched on 22-7-97.

21/7/97.

20/7/97

R Form No. 12.

No. 502 R

Government of Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT,

RAILWAY BRANCH.

To

The Secy. to the Govt. of India,
P. W. Department.
Simla.

Ootacamund, The 26th July 1897.

Sir,

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

FW
R
24/7

Documents accompanying:
26.7.97
-Nil-

Of. 34!

24/7/97

Public (1897) Department.

CURRENT No. 8136

From Govt. of India

Order No 2721 d/20/8/97

~~Copy forwarded to~~

A for information with reference to correspondence ending with this office letter No 2400 of 22/7/97 and No 2680 d/17/8/97

JDF 19/8/97

x: Disposal on Mis C No 3475 being [illegible] fair copied

Despatched on 25/8/97

No. 629 R.T.

Dated 7.8.97

Received } 16.8.97
Registered }

Enclosures

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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 a reply.

17/8/97

S.A.

BACK PAPERS.

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GOVT. OF MADRAS RYS.

No. 629 R.T.

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA.

All communications should be addressed to the Secretary.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

RAILWAY TRAFFIC.

To

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

Simla, the 9th August 1897.

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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.

W Bonham Carter

Captain, R.E.,
Assistant Secretary.

[illegible] 20/8/97

Documents accompanying :-
Nil.

S.A.

Dr The Agents will probably send replies direct to Secy Ry Conference. Please say if we may ask for copies.—

Please mark off for E.R.—

[illegible] 13/8/97

yes [illegible] 13/8

Draft being copied

[illegible] 11/8

[illegible] await replies

[illegible]

13/8

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 RAILWAYS.

THE AGENTS AND MANAGERS, MADRAS AND THE NIZAM'S GUARANTEED STATE RAILWAYS.

THE MANAGERS, NORTH WESTERN, OUDH AND ROHILKHAND, EASTERN BENGAL, EAST COAST, AND JODHPORE-BICKANEER RAILWAYS.

THE MANAGER AND ENGINEER-IN-CHIEF, BHAVNAGAR-GONDAL-JUNAGARH-PORBANDAR 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 General 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.

See G.O. 290 R / 27.4.97 [illegible]

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,

H. Bonham-Carter

Captain, R.E.,

Secretary.

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

To The Senior Govt Inspector for Rys.,
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.

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

C. No. 3475
Recd. 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

Reminders.

No $\frac{2680}{1}$ d 14.9.97

1st Reminders to Nizams Ry & E.C. Ry

Despatched on 17/8/97.

Subject.

SIR,

With reference to ~~I have the honour to forward herewith memo~~ Letter No. ~~42~~ 41 of 4th August 1897 ~~from the Govt of India enclosing a letter~~ from the Secretary to the Railway Conference, addressed to you, regarding ~~book~~ rule 231 of the Open line General rules of 1895 ~~and to~~ I have the honour to request ~~that~~ the favour of being ~~favoured~~ furnished with ~~a~~ a copy of ~~the~~ your reply thereto ~~that may be sent to the Secretary~~.

16/8/97

Similar letter to A, A M Nizams and Manager E.C.Ry.

16/8/97

17/8/97.

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 impossible 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.

V H LeMesurier
for Agent.

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

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Enc. No. 1 to E. R's. C. No. 3709 of 1897
Letter No. 863 D | 25. 8 97
From A

No. 863

South Indian Railway Co., Ld.
AGENT'S OFFICE,
Trichinopoly, 25th August 1897.

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From

THE AGENT,
SOUTH INDIAN RAILWAY,

To

THE CONSULTING ENGINEER
FOR RAILWAYS,
MADRAS.

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. 1063/9/3678 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. Le Mesurier
for Agent

Await other replies
27/8/97

1 Enclosure
M.E.D.

C. No. 3709
Recd. 26/8/97

From
The Agent,
South Indian Railway,
Trichinopoly.
To
The Consulting Engineer for
Railways,
Madras.
Dated 189
Received
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Enclosure.

(No. IV)

MADRAS RAILWAY.

№ 9547
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AGENT AND MANAGER'S OFFICE.

MADRAS, 11th September 1897.

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From

The Ag Agent and Manager of the
Madras Railway Company.

To

The Secretary,
Railway Conference,
Simla,

SIR,

In reply to your letter No. 4 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
Sd/. H. E. West.
Ag Agent & Manager.

(True copy)

Henry West
Ag Agent & Manager.

Enc. No. 1 to E. R's. C. No. 39/29 of 1897
Letter No. 9547/A 880 d/ 11-9-97
From A M

(No. I.)
No. 9547/A/880

MADRAS RAILWAY.

AGENT AND MANAGER'S OFFICE,
Madras, 11th September 1897.

CONSULTING ENGINEER FOR RAILWAYS
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From

The Ag Agent and Manager.
Madras Railway.

Awaiting reply from Nizam's & E C Rys.

To

No 2680/1 d 14.9.97 Remind

The Consulting Engineer for Railways.
Madras.

Sir,

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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 4th August 1897 from the Secretary, Railway Conference.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,
Henry West
Ag Agent & Manager.

Enclosure.

C. No. 3969
Recd. 13/9/97

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

Form No. Mgr. 19.

C. No. 4157
Recd. 23/9/97

No. 7447

From

THE MANAGER,
East Coast Railway.

To

THE CONSULTING ENGINEER for RAILWAYS.

MADRAS.

Dated Waltair. the 20th Septr. 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.

P.K.Gulea

G. No. 3969

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

Enc. No. 1 4153 of 1897
Letter No. 1899W 21.9.97
From Agt N.G.S. Ry

P. W. O. No. 310.-28-5-96.5,000. Form No. Gen. 2.

No. 1899W

CONSULTING ENGINEER
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From

THE AGENT AND MANAGER,

H. H. the Nizam's Guaranteed State Rys. Co., Ld.

To

C. No. 4153
Recd. 23/9/97

2 Currents

The Consulting Engineer
for Railways
Madras.

Dated Secunderabad, (Deccan) 21st Septr. 1897.

Enclosure. one

Reference.

Sir,

With reference to your letter No. 2680/1 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.

Await reply from ECR

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedt. Servt.

23/9/97

Copy of letter No.7604 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 requirements of the case.

Enc. No. 1 to C. E. C. No. 4443 of 1897
Letter No. 7857 of 6.10.97
From ECR

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

Form No. Mgr. 19.

C. E. No. 4443
Dated 9/10/97

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No. 7851

From

The MANAGER,
East Coast Railway.

all replies received

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. 7604 dated 25th idem to the Secretary Railway Conference regarding the modification of Rule 231 of the Open Line General Rules of 1895.

EM no action seems necessary all the railways are agreed & our opinion has not been asked. FH 11/10/97

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient Servant.

Major R.E.
Offg. Manager.

AB 6/10 AH

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13/10/97

Accompaniments.
One

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

"Your No B 6578/259 A of 1st Novr 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 when the gangs are altering the line some miles distant from a Station.

And it is to this modification of the rule which the Chief Engineer of the S I Ry refers and which I understand 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

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

Enc. No. 1 to E. R's. C. No. 4884 of 1897
Letter No. 259A of 6-11-97
From En-in-ch BMRy

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

No. B/6750
259A

Consulting Engineer Received 8 NOV 1897 Madras.

4884 8/11/97

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.

Vide slip B
orders not yet issued

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.

slips R + M

3. 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

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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 4 light material lorries to be used on the conversion of the Gudur Nellore Section from Metre to Broad Gauge.

I have the honour to be
Sir
Your most obedient Servant
Edw. J. Moore
Engineer-in-Chief

6/11

Form No. 10.

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

Railway Department.

To
The Engr-in-Chief
B. M. Ry

No. 3478 Reply No. , dated

Reminders.

Sir,

With reference to your letter No B $\frac{6750}{259A}$ dated 6.11.97, I have the honour to state that the orders of the Govt of India on the application for reconstructing Rule 231 of the open line General Rules have not yet been received.

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