

Public Works (1897) Department.

G.O., No. 586 R

DATED 21. August 1897

24/8/97

[Despatch Abstract.]

Rate of Exchange: Govt of India letter stating that differences arising from the fact of payments being made in India and the equivalent recoveries ^{in Sterling} being paid into the Home Treasury and thus being subject to the contract — should be adjusted within the accounts of the Madras Railway and that they are not prepared to allow to such differences being transferred to the debit of Govt Com to the Agent Manager of that Railway.

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No. 586 R., 21st August 1897.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

Railway.

Read the following papers:—

From the Officiating Joint Secretary to the Government of Madras, Public Works Department, Railway Branch, to the Secretary to the Government of India, Public Works Department, Simla, dated Ootacamund, 30th April 1897, No. 297 R.

I am directed to forward, for the orders of the Government of India, the marginally-noted correspondence with regard to the adjustment of the differences in exchange on recoveries on account of general averages. The Agent and Manager, Madras Railway, requests that, as his Board of Directors objected in 1893 to revenue being charged with such sums, the outstanding may be transferred to the debit of Government. The Government Examiner of Railway Accounts and the Accountant-General, Public Works Department, however, consider that these amounts should not be adjusted by debit to Government, i.e., to the head "Loss by Exchange" without the sanction of Government.

From the Officiating Deputy Secretary to the Government of India, Public Works Department (Account—Railway) to the Officiating Joint Secretary to the Government of Madras, Public Works Department, Railway Branch, dated Simla, 2nd August 1897, No. 404 A.R.

I am directed to acknowledge receipt of your letter No. 297 R., dated 30th April 1897, submitting, for the orders of the Government of India, a question, which has arisen in connection with the accounts of the Madras Railway, regarding the adjustment of the difference in Exchange on recoveries made in England on account of general average payments made in India.

2. In reply, I am to state that the Government of India consider that differences arising from the fact of payments being made in India and the equivalent recoveries in sterling being paid into the Home Treasury and thus being subject to the contract rate of exchange should be adjusted within the accounts of the railway, and they are not prepared to agree to such differences being transferred to the debit of Government. The adjustment within the accounts of the railway can be made either by debit to revenue or through the stores account by increasing the issue prices of the stores concerned.

ORDER—No. 586 R., dated 21st August 1897.

Communicated to the Agent and Manager, Madras Railway, with reference to his letter read above.

(True Extract.)

Under Secretary to Government,
Railway Branch.

To the Agent and Manager, Madras Railway.
„ Examiner, Guaranteed Railway Accounts.

Exd. Shaik Karim.

Public Works (1897) Department.

CURRENT No. 8013

From

The Govt of India

Order

No. 404 A.R.

Dated 2nd August 1897

Received

Registered

Enclosures

Spare copies

SUBJECT.

Adjustment of the difference
in exchange on recoveries
made in England on a/c of
General average payments
made in India.

Passing orders on a
question which has arisen, in
connection with the accounts
of the M. Ry re: the —

*All communications
should be addressed to
the Secretary.*

TO

THE JOINT SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

Public Works Department,
Railway Branch.

Simla, the 2nd August 1897.

Sir,

I am directed to acknowledge receipt of your letter No.297 R.dated 30th April 1897 submitting for the orders of the Government of India a question which has arisen, in connection with the accounts of the Madras Railway, regarding the adjustment of the difference in exchange on recoveries made in England on account of general average payments made in India.

2. In reply, I am to state that the Government of India consider that differences arising from the fact of payments being made in India and the equivalent recoveries in sterling being paid into the Home Treasury and thus being subject to the contract rate of exchange should be adjusted within the accounts of the Railway, and they are not prepared to agree to such differences being transferred to the debit of Government. The adjustment within the accounts of the Railway can be made either by debit to Revenue or through the Stores account by increas-

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ing the issue prices of the Stores concerned.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

Chavicher

Offg: Dy. Secy. to the Govt. of India.

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Documents accompanying:-

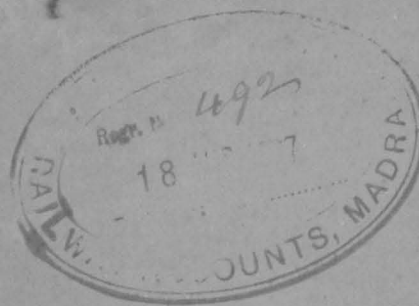
Nil.

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CONSO. ENGR.'S No. 21.

OFFICE OF THE CONSULTING ENGINEER FOR RAILWAYS,

Madras, 17th August 1897.



No. 2675.

OFFICE NOTE.

Letter from the Agent, East of India Railway, No. 404 AR, dated 2nd August 1897, forwarded to the Examiner of Railway Accounts for remarks.

SRP

L. D. Gould

for E. R.

EXAMINER'S REPLY.

A copy of the letter from the Govt. of India should be forwarded to the Agent and Manager with reference to his communication No. 1975/872 dated 13th April last.

Will you kindly also furnish this office with a copy for guidance.

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C. R.
19.8.97.

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Extract from Agent and Manager
Madras Railway letter to Board
No. 2326 of 16th September 1897-

Re: adjustment
of difference in
exchange on
general average
recoveries.

8. Adverting to para. 5 of your letter No. 940, I beg to inform you that there is an outstanding item of Rs. 445-15-4, for differences in Exchange on recoveries per S.S. "Rheinfels" and "Ockenfels." The Government Examiner having objected to the usual transfer of the item to the debit of the Government, I referred the question to the Consulting Engineer (vide No. 372, dated the 13th April 1897, copy sent with letter, No. 2306) and in reply, I have received the enclosed copy of G. O., No 586 R., dated the 21st August 1897, in which the opinion of the Government of India is expressed that such items should be adjusted within the Company's accounts either by "debit to revenue or through the Stores account by increasing the issue prices of the stores concerned." Either of the plans herein proposed will result in a charge against the Company's Revenue, and as the procedure is opposed to the express decision of the Board, I again submit the question for their further instructions.

Please put this
at end of 50 586 R
21/8/97

N^o 586. R dated 21/8/97
P.W. DEPARTMENT.
By Branch

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read the following

Letter from the Agent & Manager Madras N^o 797⁵ & 13.4.97.
Letter to the Govt. of India N^o 297 R dated 30.4.97 with enclosure.
Letter from " " N^o 404A dated 2.8.97.

Communicated to
the Agent & Manager, Madras
Railway with reference to his
letter read above.

20/8/97

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Agent & Manager Madras
Examined by Accts. ✓

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