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[Despatch Abstract.]

Asst Traffic Manager, S.D. Ry. Resident at Madras.

Govt of India letter stating that it is considered preferable that in lieu of the proposed Residency allowance for the — he should ~~be~~ either be permitted to occupy the Railway Quarters rent free or ~~that~~ the rent of the Quarters occupied by him should be reduced by 50%. Comd to the Agent ~~of~~ of the Railway.

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Government { 1897 } of Madras.
PUBLIC WORKS.

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G.O., No. 707 R., 22nd September 1897.

SEPTEMBER.

Assistant Traffic Manager, South Indian Railway, Resident
at Madras

Government of India letter stating that it is considered preferable that, in lieu of the proposed Presidency allowance for the —, he should either be permitted to occupy the railway quarters rent-free, or the rent of the quarters occupied by him should be reduced by Rs. 50, communicated to the Agent of the Railway.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

Railway.

Read the following papers:—

From the Joint Secretary to the Government of Madras, Public Works Department, Railway Branch, to the Secretary to the Government of India, Public Works Department, dated 13th April 1897, No. 255 R.

I am directed to forward, for favourable consideration, copy of a letter with enclosures from the Agent, South Indian Railway, asking sanction to the payment of a Presidency allowance to the Assistant Traffic Manager residing in Madras.

The proposal which has been sanctioned by the Board is recommended as a special case.

ENCLOSURES.

From the Agent, South Indian Railway, to the Consulting Engineer for Railways, dated Trichinopoly, 6th April 1897, No. 377.

I have the honour to forward an extract from the Managing Director's letter, No. 186, dated 12th March 1897, communicating the sanction of the Board to the payment of a Presidency allowance of Rs. 50 per mensem to the Assistant Traffic Manager residing in Madras, and shall be glad to receive the formal approval of Government to the disbursement of this allowance from 1st April 1897.

EXTRACT from the Managing Director's letter, dated London, 12th March 1897, No. 186.

In compliance with your recommendation letter, No. 519, dated 3rd February 1897, the Board sanction a Presidency allowance of Rs. 50 per mensem to the Assistant Traffic Manager residing in Madras.

EXTRACT from a letter from the Agent, South Indian Railway, to the Board, dated 3rd February 1897, No. 519.

I have placed in the packet an application from the Assistant Traffic Manager at Madras for the grant to him of Presidency allowance, together with connected correspondence, from which it will be seen that the Traffic Manager supports the application, and that the allowance is given to Traffic officers holding corresponding positions on the Madras Railway. I recommend that a Presidency allowance of Rs. 50 per mensem be granted to the Assistant Traffic Manager in charge of the Madras division, on the following grounds:—

- (1) That living is expensive in Madras.
- (2) That this officer is required in the Company's interest to reside in a railway house near Egmore station, and is consequently debarred from reducing household expenditure by joining a "chummary."
- (3) To place him on an equal footing with officers of Traffic department of the Madras Railway.
- (4) To avoid the charge of the Madras division, for which a capable officer is required, being a source of pecuniary loss to the specially selected officer.

From the Under Secretary to the Government of India, Public Works Department (General), to the Joint Secretary to the Government of Madras, Public Works Department, Railway Branch, dated Simla, 28th May 1897, No. 1430 G.

With reference to your letter No. 255 R., dated 13th April 1897, forwarding an application from the Agent, South Indian Railway, for sanction to the grant of a Presidency allowance of Rs. 50 per mensem to the Assistant Traffic Manager of that line residing in Madras, I am directed to refer you to paragraph 2 of Public Works Department letter, No. 1912 G., dated 19th July 1893, and to request that it may be explained why it is proposed to grant this allowance and whether any other officers draw it.

From the 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, 13th August 1897, No. 550 R.

In reply to your letter No. 1430 G., dated 28th May 1897, I am directed to inform you that a Presidency allowance of Rs. 50 per mensem is drawn by the Assistant Traffic Managers of the Madras Railway, when in duty in Madras (*vide* page 70 of Establishment Rolls and Working Estimates, Madras Railway, for half-year ended 30th June 1897, and extract from minutes of meeting, 29th September 1881, attached for ready reference).

2. The ruling contained in paragraph 2 of Government of India letter, No. 1912 G., has not been lost sight of; but, as will be seen from paragraph 2 of letter No. 653, dated 25th June 1897, from the Agent, South Indian Railway, attached, attention is called to the anomaly of officers of the same rank on two adjacent railways being treated differently in this respect. It was for this reason that sanction was recommended to the grant, as a special case.

ENCLOSURES.

EXTRACT from Madras Railway minutes of official meeting and Stores Committee, No. 8 of 1881.

91. Authority was given for the disbursement of the usual Presidency allowance of Rs. 50 per mensem to Mr. James Butcher, Assistant Traffic Manager, during the time that he remains in Madras in charge of the Salt Cotaurs Goods station.

From the Agent, South Indian Railway, to the Consulting Engineer for Railways, dated Trichinopoly, 25th June 1897, No. 653.

With reference to your endorsement, No. 2015, dated 17th June 1897, I have the honour to inform you that the reasons for granting a Presidency allowance of Rs. 50 to the Assistant Traffic Manager at Madras are as given in my letter No. 519, dated 3rd February 1897, to the Board of Directors—

- (a) That living is expensive in Madras.
- (b) That this officer is required in the Company's interest to reside in a railway house near Egmore station, and is consequently debarred from reducing household expenditure by joining a "chummary."
- (c) To place him on an equal footing with officers of the Traffic department of the Madras Railway.
- (d) To avoid the charge of the Madras division, for which a capable officer is required, being a source of pecuniary loss to the specially selected officer.

2. Since the issue of the principles laid down by the Finance Committee in 1889, the cost of living in Madras has greatly increased, and officers on small salaries now find it difficult to reside in Madras without incurring debt. It is necessary that the Assistant Traffic Manager in charge of the Madras division should live close to the station as, in addition to his local duties in connection with the commercial population of the city, he is responsible for the traffic working of the section of the line entrusted to him. This prevents him sharing rent and household expenses by chumming with other gentlemen.—a practice which, as you are aware, is now frequently adopted from economical reasons. Officers on the Madras Railway filling similar appointments in the Traffic department are allowed Presidency allowance, and it is hardly to be

No. 707 R., 22ND SEPTEMBER 1897.

expected that this Company will be able to retain efficient officers in its service if the total remuneration offered contrasts unfavourably with that given on an adjacent railway. At present, service at Madras is unpopular with our Traffic officers, and if Presidency allowance is not granted, it will be necessary, in common fairness, to give each district officer a tour of duty in Madras in regular rotation. These frequent transfers are to be deprecated in the interests both of Government and the Company.

3. In reply to the concluding question asked by the Government of India in its letter, No. 1430 G., dated 28th May 1897, I beg to state that as no other officers of this Company are stationed in Madras, Presidency allowance is not drawn by any of them. It is necessary that a Traffic officer should reside in Madras, and I therefore think that he should not suffer in consequence of the Company's requirements, or that his position should be worse than his brother officers in other departments.

From the Under Secretary to the Government of India, Public Works Department (General), to the Joint Secretary to the Government of Madras, Public Works Department, Railway Branch, dated Simla, 10th September 1897, No. 2456 G.

With reference to correspondence ending with your letter, No. 550 R., dated the 13th August last, on the subject of the proposed grant of Presidency allowance of Rs. 50 per mensem to the Assistant Traffic Manager, South Indian Railway, resident at Madras, I am directed to state that, as that officer is required in the interests of the Company to live in a railway building, the Government of India consider it preferable that, in lieu of the Presidency allowance proposed, he should either be permitted to occupy the quarters rent-free, or that the rent of the quarters occupied by him should be reduced by Rs. 50.

ORDER—No. 707 R., dated 22nd September 1897.

Communicated to the Agent, South Indian Railway, for information.
(True Extract.)

Under Secretary to Government,
Railway Branch.

To the Agent, South Indian Railway.
" Consulting Engineer for Railways.
" Examiner, Guaranteed Railway Accounts.

Exd. T. K. Narayana Aiyangar.

Extract from a letter from the Agent, South Indian Railway to the Board, No. 579, dated 3rd February 1897.



Presidency Allowance of the Assistant Traffic Manager, Madras.

I have placed in the packet an application from the Assistant Traffic Manager at Madras for the grant to him of Presidency allowance, together with connected correspondence, from which it will be seen that the Traffic Manager supports the application, and that the allowance is given to Traffic officers holding corresponding positions on the Madras Railway. I recommend that a Presidency allowance of Rs. 50 per mensem be granted to the Assistant Traffic Manager in charge of the Madras Division on the following grounds:—

- (1) That living is expensive in Madras.
- (2) That this officer is required in the Company's interest to reside in a railway house near Egmore Station, and is consequently debarred from reducing household expenditure by joining a "chummary".
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Agent's Office.

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is required, being a source of pecuniary
loss to the specially selected officer.

South Indian Railway.

Extract from the Managing Director's Letter No. 186, dated London
the 12th. March 1897.

Subject.

Presidency allowance to Assistant Traffic Manager at Madras.

Extract:—

In compliance with your recommendation Letter 519, 3rd.
February 1897, the Board sanction a Presidency Allowance of Rs.50
per mensem to the Assistant Traffic Manager residing in Madras.

AGENT'S OFFICE,
TRICHINOPOLY,
2nd. April 1897.

(True Extract)

Accompaniment to the Agent's letter No. 377
of 6-4-1897.

Chief Clerk, Agent's Office.

ENG. NO. 1 TO E. C. No. 1558 OF 100.7
LETTER NO. 377 6.4.97
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No. 377

South Indian Railway Co., Ltd.

AGENT'S OFFICE,

Trichinopoly, 6th April 1897.

From

THE AGENT,
SOUTH INDIAN RAILWAY,

To

THE CONSULTING ENGINEER
FOR RAILWAYS,
MADRAS.



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Sir,

I have the honor to forward an extract -1897.
from the Managing Director's letter No. 186 dated
12th March 1897 communicating the sanction of
the Board to the payment of a Presidency Allow-
ance of Rs. 50 per mensem to the Assistant Traffic
Manager residing in Madras, and shall be glad
to receive the formal approval of Government to
the disbursement of this allowance from 1st April
1897.

I have the honor to be, —
Sir,
your most obedient servant,

A. B. G. Shetty

Captain R. E.,
Agent.

1 Enclosure.

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C. No. 1558
7/4/97

R. Form No. 12.

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B. No. 255 R

Government of Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT,
RAILWAY BRANCH.

SERIAL
No. 8

To

THE SECY. TO THE GOVT. OF INDIA,

P. W. DEPARTMENT.

Madras 18 April 1897.

SIR,

I am directed to forward
for favourable consideration
copy of a letter and with
enclosure for the Agent
S.I.R. asking sanction
to the payment of a Pres.
Allowance to the A.T. Mr.
residing in Madras -
The proposal has been
sanctioned by the Board
is recommended as a
Special case

Documents accompanying:

Copies of letter for B. No. 377
of 6/4/97 with enclosure

18/4/97

12/4/97
12/4/97

From

THE AGENT,

SOUTH INDIAN RAILWAY,

Tychinopoly.

To

THE CONSULTING ENGINEER FOR

RAILWAYS,

Madras.

Dated

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ENCLOSURE.

SERIAL

No. 10

Public Works (1897) Department.

CURRENT No. 5595

Order

No 2015 of 17-6-97

Copy forwarded to
A for report.

From Govt of India

14/6/97

for R.

14/6/97

No. 1430 G

Dated 28th May 1897.

Received 9-6-97

Enclosures

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SUBJECT.

Presidency Allowance to the Asst. Traffic Manager S. J. A.

Requesting to explain why it is proposed to grant ——— residing in Madras and whether any other officers draw it.

Despatched on 17/6/97

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Please send a copy of
S.O. No 1114 R of 23/8/93
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15/6/97 as ordered
17/6/97

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Extract from Madras Minutes of Official
Meeting & Stores Committee No 8 of 1881

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Residency Allowance to Mr James Butcher, Asst.
Traffic Manager

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B. FORM No. 12.



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Government of Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT,
RAILWAY BRANCH.

To

THE SECY. TO THE GOVT. OF INDIA,

P. W. DEPARTMENT.

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SIR,

in reply to your letter No. 1430 G
d. 28/5/97 I am directed to inform
you that a ²Previding allowance of
Rs 50 p.m. is drawn by the
Asst Traffic Managers of the
Madras R.R. when in duty in
Madras vide para page 70 of
Estt Rols looking Estt M.R. for
half year ended 30 June 1897. and
extract from M.O. Meeting 28th 5th 1897.
1881. attached for ready reference.

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Then we must
omit this section -
25/5/97
These allowances were fixed prior
to the issue of the report of the
Finance Committee in 1889, but
have been retained under the
ruling contained in Govt order
No. of ^{para 2 of}

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India letter 1912 G has not been
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from para 2 of attached letter No.
653 d. 25/6/97 from the Asst S.L.R.
attached, attention is called to
the anomaly of officers of the

9/7/57

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(1) Extract from the Minutes of Meeting of
29/2/57.
(2) Copy of letter from the Agent. S. B. Co.
653 of 25/6/27

Minutes of Meeting of
Executive Board. S. H. Co.

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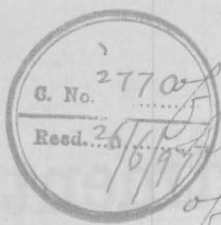
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officers in other Departments.

I have the honor to be
Sir

Your most obedient servant

A. B. G. Shelley,

Captain R. E.,

Agent.

M. S. D.

Public Works (1897) Department.

CURRENT No. 9338

From

The Govt. of India

Order

Copied to Agent R. B.
to C.R.

and to E.R.

No. 2456 G.

Dated 10th September 1897

Received

Registered

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SUBJECT.

Presidency allowance of
Rs 50 per mensem to the
Asst. Traffic Manager
S. D. Ry resident at Madras.

Passing orders on the
subject of the proposed
grant of —.

Dated
Received

No.

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ENCLOSURE.

To

THE CONSULTING ENGINEER FOR

RAILWAYS,

Madras.

From

THE AGENT,

SOUTH INDIAN RAILWAY,

Tiruchinopoly.

FURTHER PAPERS.

*All communications
should be addressed
to the Secretary.*

No. 25 G.

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

GENERAL.

Sir,

G. M. Walker

N. ...

(R.) Form No. 3.

No 707. Dated 22/9/97.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT,
RAILWAY BRANCH.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

again
Read the following

Progs. of the Madras } H. No. 255 R of 13 April 97
Govt. P.W.D. etc. -

From Secy. Govt. of India P.W.D. H. No. 1430 of 28 Aug 1897

Progs of the Govt. P.W.D. } H. No. 530 R of 13 Aug 97
P.W.D. 3

Read also

Letter from the Govt. } H. No. 2456 of 10 Sept 97
of India P.W.D. etc. -

Communicated
to the Agent South Indian
Railway for information.

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22/9/97

To the Agent S. & Ry.
- Consulting for Ry.
- Ex. Govt. Ry. Accts.

A/-
No 707. D. dated 22. 9. 97.