Public Works (1897) Department.

G.O., No. 783 R

DATED 7 October 1897

12/10/97

[Despatch Abstract.]

Travelling allowance: Govt. of India letter permitting the existing practice of paying fixed —, including the grant of it while on privilege leave, being continued to present incumbents who joined the Madras Railway on the supposition that they would draw the allowance as a fixed addition to pay and stating that the practice should be modified as regards future incumbents and should be assimilated to that in force on other Railways. Comd. to the Agent & Manager for information & for submission of draft travelling allowance rules for future employes of the Railway.

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G.O., No. [illegible] R., 7th October 1897.

OCTOBER.

Travelling Allowance

Government of India letter permitting the existing practice of paying fixed —, including the grant of it while on privilege leave, being continued to present incumbents who joined the Madras Railway on the supposition that they would draw the allowance as a fixed addition to pay, and stating that the practice should be modified as regards future incumbents and should be assimilated to that in force on other railways, communicated to the Agent and Manager for information and for submission of draft travelling allowance rules for future employés 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, Calcutta, dated Madras, 9th January 1897, No. 19 R.

Cases having recently occurred of officers on the Madras Railway having drawn special conveyance and tentage allowances during their absence on privilege leave, the matter was referred by the Government Examiner to the Accountant-General, Public Works Department, who ruled that the grant was inadmissible unless specially provided for in the company's leave rules. The Agent and Manager being asked to retrench the amounts from the officers' salaries, reported that the question was raised in 1875 and decided by the Board of Directors in favour of the company's officers—*vide* paragraph 8 of their letter, No. 548, dated 12th March 1875 (copy enclosed)—and that the Board's decision has been accepted by the Government Examiners since that date till now. The Examiner of Railway Accounts, however, does not consider that the Board's interpretation of the scope of rule 6 of the General Leave Rules for guaranteed railways should be accepted unless confirmed by Government. He adds that the rule in question merely lays down that an officer may be granted the privilege leave he is entitled to without deduction of *pay*, while it is a general principle that a permanent monthly travelling allowance cannot be drawn during leave, and suggests that an authoritative ruling on the point be obtained from the Government of India.

2. I am, therefore, to request the favour of orders as to whether fixed monthly, travelling or special conveyance allowances should or should not be drawn by officers on guaranteed railways when on privilege or other leave.

ENCLOSURE.

EXTRACT from a letter from the Secretary, Madras Railway Company, to the Agent and Manager, dated London, 12th March 1875, No. 548.

Tentage during privilege leave.

Paragraph 8.—Replying to paragraph 68 of 1140, with reference to the question raised by the Government Examiner of Accounts as to the tentage or batta allowances to be drawn by officers absent on privilege leave, I am instructed to inform you that in stating in your letter to the Chief Engineer of the 18th December 1872, that in your opinion an officer on privilege leave is entitled, on return to duty, to draw the full salary and allowances of which he may have been in receipt at the time his leave commenced, you correctly interpreted the views of the Board with regard to the scope of paragraph 6 of the new Furlough Regulations.

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 Calcutta, 10th February 1897, No. 366 G.

With reference to your letter, No. 19 R., dated 9th January 1897, in which the question is raised as to the admissibility, under rule 6 of the General Leave Rules for guaranteed railways, and under paragraph 8 of the Madras Railway Board's letter, No. 548, dated 12th March 1875, of fixed monthly or special conveyance allowances to the officers of that railway when on privilege or other leave, I am directed to state that the rule quoted, as it stands, is not sufficient authority to allow of such allowances being passed as pay or salary, and that without further explanation of the reasons the Government of India are unable to accept the Board's letter of 1875 as sufficient to enable them to agree to the grant of the allowances.

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 May 1897, No. 341 R.

With reference to correspondence ending with your letter, No. 366 G., dated 10th February 1897, I am directed to forward, herewith, an extract (paragraph 11) from the Madras Railway Board's letter, No. 951, dated 9th April 1897, on the question of granting tentage allowance to officers on the Madras Railway while on privilege leave, and to request the favour of further instructions from the Government of India on the subject.

ENCLOSURE.

EXTRACT from a letter from the Secretary, dated 9th April 1897, No. 951.

Tentage allowance.

11. With advertence to paragraph 7 of 2297, the Board find, on referring to the correspondence prior to the Agent and Manager's letter to the Chief Engineer of the 11th December 1872, No. 4438, on the question of the grant to officers on privilege leave of their fixed tentage, that the principle laid down was that those officers whose duties required them to maintain horses and tents were to be allowed to draw such tentage for the time of their absence on privilege leave, and that other officers could not be allowed to do so. This principle is one which should, the Board think, have been maintained, as tentage is an allowance granted to meet expenses connected with travelling on duty, and such expenses, if not altogether non-existent, are but very small in amount, in the case of officers whose duties do not necessitate the provision and maintenance of tents and horses, except when they are so travelling.

However, as the question was brought fully before the Board in January 1875, and they decided* that rule 6 of the Leave Regulations (which refers to privilege leave only) was to be interpreted to mean that fixed tentage was included in the pay mentioned in that rule, which interpretation has been acted upon ever since, I am desired to say that no change of practice can now be equitably introduced, as regards officers at present in the service whose appointments entitle them to draw fixed tentage; but, on the other hand, it must be clearly understood that, for officers entering the service of the company after the end of 1896, and for those now in that service, but not at present holding appointments to which fixed tentage is attached, fixed tentage will not be allowed during privilege leave, unless tents and horses are required for the due performance of their duties, and are maintained at their expense during their absence on privilege leave. If the allowance be claimed on return from privilege leave, the claim must be supported by a certificate that tents and horses, or equivalent means of travelling and camping out, have been maintained.

* Letter No. 548, 12th March 1875.

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 June 1897, No. 1688 G.

Referring to your letter, No. 341 R., dated 13th May 1897, on the subject of the grant of tentage allowance to officers on the Madras Railway while on privilege leave, I am directed to request that it may be stated what officers at present in the service are considered by the Board to be entitled under the conditions of their appointments to draw fixed tentage. I am also to enquire what condition there is in their covenant or engagement which is considered to entitle them to such allowances in cases where their duties are confined to the open line, for which the necessity for maintenance of tents and horses is unusual.

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, 16th August 1897, No. 557 R.

With reference to your letter, No. 1688 G., dated the 28th June 1897, on the subject of the grant of tentage allowance to officers on the Madras Railway while on privilege leave, I am directed to forward herewith, for information, copy of a letter, with enclosures, from the Agent and Manager, Madras Railway, No. 9572/736, dated the 4th August 1897.

Enclosures.

From the Acting Agent and Manager, Mádras Railway Company, to the Officiating Consulting Engineer for Railways, dated 4th August 1897, No. 9572/736.

With reference to your memorandum No. 94/O., of the 7th instant, I have the honour to invite your attention to your office letter, No. 493, of the 19th May 1857, a copy of which is forwarded for easy reference.

2. I desire to explain that fixed allowances are drawn by all Engineers employed on the Madras Railway in accordance with the rules on page 70 of the establishment list sanctioned by Government for years past, and although no mention is made of these allowances in the covenants, Engineers on open line have drawn fixed "tentage" since the line was first opened for traffic. The name "tentage" has been used since construction ceased, and is a misnomer, as the allowance is continued as commuted batta or fixed travelling allowance. And, as already advised in my letter, No. 9572/1122, of 16th December 1896, the Board have ruled that this allowance is to be drawn while an officer is absent on privilege leave.

3. I may add that at the time of their appointment Engineers are informed of the leave, promotion, tentage and other privileges, and these are held out to them as additional inducements to enter the service of the company; therefore, although these privileges are not mentioned in the covenants, the company is morally bound to act up to the inducements held out to officers entering the service.

4. In paragraph 11 of the Secretary's letter, No. 951, of 9th April 1897, a copy of which was forwarded to you with my letter, No. 9572/1427, of 4th May 1897, the Board expressly state that no change of practice can now be equitably introduced as regards officers at present in the service whose appointments entitle them to draw fixed tentage.

5. I request, therefore, that the Government will be pleased to permit the existing practice to remain undisturbed in the case of all officers at present in the service, on the understanding that, in regard to all officers entering the service after 31st December 1896, fixed tentage will be disallowed during privilege leave, unless tents and horses are required to be maintained at their expense during their absence on privilege leave as prescribed by the Board.

From the Consulting Engineer for Railways, dated 19th May 1857, No. 493.

I have the honour to communicate the sanction of Government to your adopting the system approved of by the Board of Directors of granting a fixed monthly allowance of Rs. 105 to a Resident Engineer and Rs. 75 to a Station or District Engineer to cover all expenses as travelling allowances, batta, &c., and also to an allowance of Rs. 3 for every 10 miles when an Engineer travels on duty without the limits of his district or division, and to the rules framed by you as to the mode in which this allowance should be drawn.

By the designation "Resident Engineer" the Government understand from your letter, No. 404, dated 9th May, an Engineer in charge of a division without reference to grade or class. You are requested to insert this definition and forward to this office a copy of the rules as now approved.

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, 23rd September 1897, No. 2589 G.

With reference to correspondence ending with your letter, No. 557 R., dated 16th August 1897, I am directed to state that, under the circumstances represented by the Agent, Madras Railway Company, the Government of India are pleased to permit the existing practice of paying fixed travelling allowance, including the grant of it while on privilege leave, being continued to present incumbents who joined the Madras Railway service on the supposition that they would draw the allowance as a fixed addition to pay.

2. As, however, the grant of fixed travelling allowance is as a rule limited to officers employed on construction work, and is not suited to officers on open lines, who have no expenses to meet, when at head quarters, in the shape of up-keep of horses, &c., the Government of India consider that the present practice of the Madras Railway should be modified as regards future incumbents, and should be assimilated to that in force on other railways.

I am to request that in this view the travelling allowance rules of the Madras Railway may be revised and may be kept wholly distinct from rules relating to other fixed allowances which should be drawn up separately.

3. I am also to request that, when the rules have been revised as above, they may be submitted to the Government of India for information.

Order—No. 783 R., dated 7th October 1897.

Communicated to the Agent and Manager, Madras Railway, for information and for submission of draft travelling allowance rules for future employés of the Madras Railway.

(True Extract.)

Under Secretary to Government,
Railway Branch.

To the Agent and Manager, Madras Railway.
" Examiner, Guaranteed Railway Accounts.
" Consulting Engineer for Railways.

Exd. W. D'Moss.

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SERIAL No. 9/1

Extract from a letter from the Secretary, M. R. Co. to the Agent and Manager, No. 548 dated London the 12th March 1875.

Tentage during privilege leave.

Para. 8. Replying to paragraph 68 of 1140, with reference to the question raised by the Government Examiner of Accounts, as to the tentage or batta allowances to be drawn by Officers absent on privilege leave, I am instructed to inform you, that in stating in your letter to the Chief Engineer, of the 18th December 1872, that in your opinion an officer on privilege leave is entitled, on return to duty, to draw the full salary and allowances of which he may have been in receipt at the time his leave commenced, you correctly interpreted the views of the Board with regard to the scope of paragraph 6, of the new Furlough Regulations.

(True Extract)

Henry West

Ag. Agent + Manager.

Enc. No. 7 to [illegible] No. 5334 of 1896
Letter No. 1122 [illegible] 16-12-96
From [illegible]

Extract from a letter from [illegible] [illegible] to the [illegible] Railway Company [illegible] dated London the 13th March 1872.

Salary during privilege leave.

Para 7. Referring to paragraph 6 of [illegible] with reference to the question raised by the Government Examiner of Accounts as to the [illegible] or otherwise [illegible] to be claimed by officers absent on privilege leave [illegible] I have to inform you that the Board [illegible] in their letter to the Agent of the 18th December 1872, that an officer on privilege leave is entitled, on return to duty, to draw the full salary and allowances of which he may have been deprived during the time his leave [illegible] [illegible] of the Board [illegible] regard to the scope of paragraph 6 of the new Sterling Regulations.

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True extract
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Government of Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT,
RAILWAY BRANCH.

To

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

Madras the 9th January 1897.

Sir,

Cases having recently occurred of officers on the Madras Railway having drawn special conveyance & tentage allowances during their absence on privilege leave, the matter was referred by the Govt. Examiner to the Accountant General P.W.D. who ruled that the grant was inadmissible unless specially provided for in the Company's leave rules. ~~[illegible]~~ The Agent & Manager being asked to to retrench the amounts from the officers' salaries reported that the question was raised in 1875 and decided by the Board of Directors in favour of the Company's officers. (vide para 8 of their letter No. 54 RD of 17 March 1875 copy enclosed). and that the Boards decision has been accepted by the Govt. examiners since that date till now. The Examr. of Ry accounts ~~however~~ does not consider that the Board's interpretation of the scope of Rule 6 of the General Leave Rules for Guaranteed Railways should be accepted unless confirmed by Govt. He adds that the rule in question merely lays down that an officer may be granted the privilege leave he is entitled to without deduction of pay, while it is a general principle that a permanent monthly travelling allowance cannot be drawn during leave & suggests that an authoritative ruling

ruling on the point be obtained from the Govt of India.—

2. I am therefore to request the favour of orders as to whether fixed monthly travelling or special conveyance allowances should or should not be ~~granted~~ drawn by officers on Guaranteed Railways when on privilege or other leave.—

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Docts. accompy.

Para 8 of Board's letter No. 54 RD of 12. 3. 75

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SERIAL
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Extract from a letter from the Secretary no. 951 d/ 9-4-97.

Tentage allowance.

11. With advertence to para. 7 of 2,297, the Board find, on referring to the correspondence prior to the Agent and Manager's letter to the Chief Engineer of the 11th December 1872, No. 4,438, on the question of the grant to officers on privilege leave of their fixed tentage, that the principle laid down was that those officers whose duties required them to maintain horses and tents were to be allowed to draw such tentage for the time of their absence on privilege leave, and that other officers could not be allowed to do so. This principle is one which should, the Board think, have been maintained, as tentage is an allowance granted to meet expenses connected with travelling on duty, and such expenses, if not altogether non-existent, are but very small in amount, in the case of officers whose duties do not necessitate the provision and maintenance of tents and horses, except when they are so travelling.

However, as the question was brought fully before the Board in January, 1875, and they decided* that Rule 6 of the Leave Regulations (which refers to privilege leave only) was to be interpreted to mean that fixed tentage was included in the pay mentioned in that Rule, which interpretation has been acted upon ever since, I am desired to say that no change of practice can now be equitably introduced, as regards officers at present in the service whose appointments entitle them to draw fixed tentage; but, on the other hand, it must be clearly understood that, for officers entering the service of the Company after the end of 1896, and for those now in that service, but not at present holding appointments to which fixed tentage is attached, fixed tentage will not be allowed during privilege leave, unless tents and horses are required for the due performance of their duties, and are maintained at their expense during their absence on privilege leave. If the allowance be claimed on return from privilege leave, the claim must be supported by a certificate that tents and horses, or equivalent means of travelling and camping out, have been maintained.

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*Letter No. 548, 12th March 1875.

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Under-Secy. to the Govt. of India.

Documents accompanying.

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Government of Madras. 5P

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT,
RAILWAY BRANCH.

To

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

Ootacamund, the 13th May 1897.

SIR,

With reference to correspondence ending with your letter No: 366 G. d/. 10th February 1897, I am directed to forward herewith an extract (para 11) from the Madras Railway Board's letter No 951, dated 9th April 1897, on the question of granting tentage allowance to officers on the Madras Railway while on privilege leave, and to request the favour of further instructions from the Govt: of India on the subject.-

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Documents accomp.
Extract from. Mr. Ry Bd's letter No. 951 d/9/4/97

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No 341. R dated 13.5.97.

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No.1688 G.

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

GENERAL.

To

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

Simla, the 28th June 1897.

Sir,

Referring to your letter No.341 R., dated 13th May 1897, on the subject of the grant of tentage allowance to officers on the Madras Railway, while on privilege leave, I am directed to request that it may be stated what officers at present in the service, are considered by the Board to be entitled under the conditions of their appointments to draw fixed tentage. I am also to enquire what conditions there is in their covenant or engagement which is considered to entitle them to such allowances in cases where their duties are confined to the open line, for which the necessity for maintenance of tents and horses is unusual.

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

G H D Walker

Under-Secy. to the Govt. of India.

to am. for report JHS 6/7/97

Documents accompanying.
Nil.

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Consulting Engineer's letter
No. 493 of 19th May 1857.

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I have the honour to communicate the sanction of Government to your adopting the System approved of by the Board of Directors of granting a fixed monthly allowance of Rupees 105 to a Resident Engineer; and Rupees 75 to a Station or District Engineer, to cover all expenses as travelling allowances, batta &c, and also to an allowance of 3 Rupees for every 10 miles, when an Engineer travels on duty without the limits of his District or Division, and to the rules framed by you as to the mode in which this allowance should be drawn.

2. By the designation "Resident Engineer" the Government understand from your letter, No. 404 dated 9th May, an Engineer in charge of a Division without reference to grade or class. You are requested to insert this definition and forward to this Office a copy of the Rules as now approved.

(True Copy)

Henry C. West

Ag. [illegible] & Manager.

The Consulting Engineer for Rys.
Madras.

ENC. No. 1 TO E. R's. C. No. 3372 OF 1897
LETTER No. 736 d/ 4. 8. 97
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MADRAS RAILWAY.

From The Agent and Manager.
To The Consulting Engineer for Railways.
Dated 188
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MADRAS RAILWAY.

AGENT AND MANAGER'S OFFICE,

Madras, 4th August 1897

SERIAL No. 20

From

The Ag: Agent and Manager.
M. R. Co,

To

The Offg: Consulting Engineer for Railways.
Madras.

Sir,

With reference to your memorandum No. 94/0 SN°19 of the 7th instant, I have the honour to invite your attention to your Office letter No. 493 of the 19th May 1857, a copy of which is forwarded for easy reference.

2. I desire to explain that fixed allowances are drawn by all Engineers employed on the Madras Railway in accordance with the rules on page 70 of the Establishment list sanctioned by Government for years past, and although no mention is made of these allowances in the covenants, Engineers on open line have drawn fixed "tentage" since the line was first opened for traffic. The name "tentage" has been used since construction ceased, and is a misnomer, as the allowance is continued ~~as~~ commuted

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Sir,

Madras

With reference to your memo-randum No 9496 of the 7th instant I have to invite your attention to your letter No 493 of the 19th May 1897 a copy of which is forwarded for easy reference.

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3. I may add that at the time of their appointment Engineers are informed of the leave, promotion, tentage and other privileges and these are held out to them as additional inducements to enter the service of the Company; therefore, although these privileges are not mentioned in the Covenants, the Company is morally bound to act up to the inducements held out to Officers entering the service.

4. In para 11 of the Secretary's letter No 951 of 9th April 1897, a copy of which was forwarded to you with my letter No $\frac{9572}{1427}$ 5N015 of 4th May 1897, the Board expressly state that no change of practice can now be equitably introduced as regards Officers at present in the service whose appointments entitle them to draw fixed tentage.

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I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient Servant,

Henry C. West

Ag: Agent & Manager.

MADRAS RAILWAY.

From The Agent and Manager.

To The Consulting Engineer for Railways.

Dated 188

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MADRAS RAILWAY.

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Government of Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT,
RAILWAY BRANCH.

To

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

Ootacamund, the 16th August 1897.

Sir,

With reference to your letter no 1688 G, dated the 28th June 1897, on the subject of the grant of tentage allowance to officers on the Madras Ry, while on privilege leave, I am directed to forward, herewith, for information, copy of a letter with enclosures from the Agent and Manager Madras Ry No. $\frac{9572}{736}$, dated the 4th August 1897, with enclosures.

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Documents accompanying

Letter from the Agent + manager Madras Ry No. $\frac{9572}{736}$ dated 4.8.97. with copies of correspondence referred to therein.

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Public Works (1897) Department.

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From The Govt of India

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No. 2589 G.

Dated 23d September 1897.

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SUBJECT.

Fixed travelling allowance including the grant of it while on privilege leave

Permitting the Existing practice of paying — to Officers Employed on ~~the~~ Construction work

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GOVERNMENT OF INDIA.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

GENERAL.

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To

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

Simla, the 23rd September 1897.

Sir,

With reference to correspondence ending with your letter No.557 R., dated 16th August 1897, I am directed to state that under the circumstances represented by the Agent Madras Railway Company, the Government of India are pleased to permit the existing practice of paying fixed travelling allowance, including the grant of it while on privilege leave, being continued to present incumbents who joined the Madras Railway service on the supposition that they would draw the allowance as a fixed addition to pay.

2. As, however, the grant of fixed travelling allowance is as a rule limited to officers employed on construction work, and is not suited to officers on open lines, who have no expenses to meet, when at head quarters, in the shape of up-keep of horses &c. the Government of India consider that the present practice of the Madras Railway should be modified as regards future incumbents, and should be assimilated to that in force on other Railways.

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3. I am also to request that when the rules have been revised as above they may be submitted to the Government of India for information.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant.

GHWalker

Under Secy. to the Govt. of India.

Documents accompanying:-

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No 783.R dated 7/10/97

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Communicated to the Agent & Manager Madras Ry for information & for submission of the draft travelling allowances rules for future ~~incumbents~~ employés of the Madras Ry..

To

The Agent & Man: M. Ry ✓

— „ Exr G. Ry. Accts — ✓

— „ Consg Engr for Rys ✓

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7/10/97

A/
No. 783 R. dated 7/10/27

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