

Public Works (189)) Department.

G.O., No. 878 R

DATED 28 October 1897

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[Despatch Abstract.]

Delays in banking Treasury Receipts for remittances
paid into the Trichinopoly Treasury. Res. Financ.
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to his complaints as regards — to arrange for daily
remittances being made into the Trichinopoly Treasury
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and other convenient centres, Govt. to the
Agent.

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OCTOBER.

Delays in granting Treasury receipts for remittances paid into the Trichinopoly Treasury

Proceedings, Financial Department, requesting the Agent, South Indian Railway, with reference to his complaints as regards —, to arrange for *daily* remittances being made into the Trichinopoly treasury or to divide his payments between that station and other convenient centres, communicated to the Agent.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

Railway.

Read the following paper :—

G.O., No. 849, Financial, dated 11th October 1897.

Read—again G.Os., Nos. 237 and 392, Financial, dated 18th March and 11th May 1897, respectively.

Read—also the following papers :—

Office-note from the Public Works Department, Railway Branch, dated 1st June 1897, No. 399 D.

Memorandum from the Public Works Department, dated 9th September 1897, No. 1343 D.

From the Accountant-General, Madras, dated 23rd September 1897, No. 529/I.D.

With reference to your official memorandum, No. 1584, dated the 27th of July 1897, I have the honour to forward a copy of the Collector's letter, No. 398/Try., dated 15th September 1897, in which he estimates the necessary increase to his establishment at two shroffs drawing Rs. 35 per mensem, *i.e.*, Rs. 420 per annum.

2. I am unable to estimate the cost of remitting 50 lakhs here, as the calculation varies according to the quantity remitted on each occasion. If remitted all at once, the cost would be in round figures Rs. 1,530. In reality it would be more than this as the remittances would be several in number.

3. I do not admit for a moment the correctness of the Agent's argument, that Government is bound to give instantly a full receipt. If an individual owes Government a crore of rupees and desired to pay it in rupees, neither Government nor any private creditor would consent to give a quittance until the money was counted, nor could a debtor complain so long as reasonable expedition was employed in counting the coin tendered. On the whole, generally speaking, these remittances are promptly counted and acknowledged. But I think orders might be issued requiring no delay to exceed 24 hours, unless the remittance exceeds Rs. 50,000, in which case a further 24 hours can be allowed for each Rs. 50,000. To secure this, the establishment might be increased by one shroff. On their side the South Indian Railway should be required to make remittances daily and before 12 A.M.

4. The Agent writes as if he had made a concession and asks for one to be made to him in return. This is not a correct view of the case. Under the contract (article 45) the Secretary of State fixes the treasury in which the earnings are to be paid. Trichinopoly has been fixed upon at the request of the Railway, and as compliance with this request means inconvenience to Government, I made arrangements with the Railway that in return for this concession it should remit 50 lakhs to Madras free of charge. I reported this arrangement to the Comptroller-General who has approved it; I regard it as a reasonable arrangement for all parties. Government is interested in the Railway and it is a complicated question what terms are the best from its (the Government's) point of view.

Memorandum from the Public Works Department, Railway Branch, dated 1st October 1897, No. 1537 D.

Order—No. 849, Financial, dated 11th October 1897.

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(True Extract.)

(Signed) F. J. WILSON,
for Chief Secretary.

ORDER—No. 878 R., dated 28th October 1897.

Communicated to the Agent, South Indian Railway, with reference to the correspondence ending with his letter, No. 963, dated 25th September 1897.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) F. J. E. SPRING,
Offg. Joint Secy. to Govt.,
Railway Branch.

To the Agent, South Indian Railway
„ Consulting Engineer.

Ed. T. K. Narayana Aiyangar.

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The Financial Dept.

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No. 849

Agent S. I. Ay, ~~Amherst~~,
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ending with his letter no 963, of
25.9.97. JWS

Dated 11-10-97

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that the order is fully complied with.

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before March 11, 32 the system of
divided payments is an alternative
and I expect will not suit A. The
order should I think be commuted
~~for purpose of remarking~~
without remark.

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Cons: Eyr. Spd - 18/10/77

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this complaints as regard delay
in granting Treasury receipts
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Irish Treasury, & arrange
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made into the above Treasury
or to divide his payments
betwⁿ Irish, Madras, Cuddalore
Bangor & the Convent
Centres

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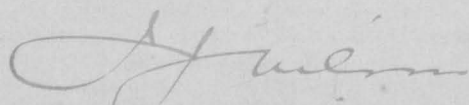
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(True Extract)



for Chief Secretary.

To

The Public Works Department, Railway Branch,

with original papers returned.

" Accountant General.