Public Works (1898) Department.

RAILWAY BRANCH.

G.O., No. 1194-95 Rly

DATED 1st October 1898.

[Despatch Abstract.]

Government Buildings on the South Indian Rly.

Ordered that the Capital and Revenue Accounts of ——— for the year 1897-98, together with a note thereon by the Chief Auditor, be forwarded to the Govt: of India

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[P. W. Ry. 500—13-6-98.]

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RAILWAY.

Government {1897} of Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS.

Recd. } 1897. *Enclosures*

Regd. *Spare copies*

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.

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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 "chummery."
(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 "chummery."
(*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

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.)

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

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

Exd. T. K. Narayana Aiyangar.

Report on the financial results of the Capital and Revenue accounts of South Indian Railway buildings occupied by Officers for the year 1897-9

	General Storekeepers Bungalow- Negapatam Rs	Assistant Traffic Managers Bungalow- Vellore Rs	Assistant Traffic Managers Bungalow- Madura Rs	Assistant Traffic Managers Bungalow- Egmore Rs	Assistan Traffic Manager Bungalo Pakala Rs
Interest on direct outlay.	193	41	273	391	148
Maintenance Charge.	1161	15	69	324	"
	1354	56	342	715	148
Rent realized	360	30	425	35	"
Net result	994	26	83		

The maintenance charge of Rs 1161 on the General Storekeepers Bungalow at Negapatam includes a special item of Rs 999. for rebuilding the kitchen, but for this the years transactions would have resulted in a nett gain of Rs 5.

The Assistant Traffic Managers bungalow at Vellore a quasi permanent building has been demolished and the fact reported to the Consulting Engineer. Rent was realized for only one month Viz April 1897. The maintenance charge was incurred prior to its demolition in September 1897.

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The Assistant Traffic Manager, Madras occupies the building at Egmore rent free from 1st April 1897 Vide G.O.S. No. 2456 G. dated 10-9-97.

The building will be shown next year under Class IV

The Assistant Traffic Managers bungalow at Sakala was newly built and was not occupied during the year.

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for Chief Auditor

Francis F. Smith
Offg. Agent
13-9-98

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Capital and Revenue Acc[illegible]esidences during 1897-98.

Locality	Item No.	Class and No. Number Building	[illegible] year	Interest at 4 per cent on Capital outlay to end of previous year plus half the Capital outlay of the year: To end of previous year	During year	To end of year	Monthly rate of rent fixed for each building	Number of months each building was occupied during the year	Remarks
1	2	3	6	17	18	19	20	21	22
		Class I Buildings the rents are fixed in accor[illegible] P.W.D Code Volume (1-a+f)							
Negapatam	1	General Storekeeper	91	1204	193	1397	30	12	
Vellore	2	Assistant Traffic Bungalow	76	306	41	347	15	1	Demolished in September 1897 and interest for the year calculated up to end of August/97
		Total	67	1510	234	1744			
		Class I Buildings the rents fixed in accordance Code Volume I. X 28 on the salary and Loc of the Tenant.							
Egmore	3	Assistant Traffic Bungalow	04	2434	391	2825	35	12	Occupied free of rent from 1st April 1897
Madura	4	— do —	83	1702	273	1975	35 for 10 months + 37-8-0 for 2 months	12	
Pakala	5	— do —	.	.	148	148	.	.	Vacant
		Total	87	4136	812	4948			
		Gran[illegible]	54	5646	1046	6692			

A. The building was purcha[illegible] subsequently occupied in the open Line as Assistant Traffi[illegible] it on 1st May 1897. The building was finally demolished [illegible] credit of Rs 251. was the Value of the materials sold a[illegible]

B. Newly built

C. Allowed to be occupi[illegible] dia No. 2456 G of 10. 9. 97.

E. Bailey

Chief Auditor S. I. R.

South Indian Railway Company Limited.

Capital and Revenue Account of Government Buildings let or available for rent as residences during 1897-98.

Locality	Item No.	Class and Name or Number of Buildings	Capital outlay including percentages for Establishment and Tools and Plant: To end of previous year	During year	To end of year	Date from which Revenue Accounts were opened	Revenue Receipts: To end of previous year	During year	To end of year	Revenue charges including a percentage for Establishment and Tools and Plant: To end of previous year	During year	To end of year	Difference between Revenue Receipts and Revenue Charges: To end of previous year	During year	To end of year	Interest at 4 per cent on Capital outlay to end of previous year plus half the capital outlay of the year: To end of previous year	During year	To end of year	Monthly rate of rent fixed for each building	Number of months each building was occupied during the year	Remarks
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22
		Class I Buildings the rents of which are fixed in accordance with P.W.D. Code Volume I X. 28. (1. a + f)																			
Negapatam	1	General Storekeeper's Bungalow	4829	.	4829		2198	360	2558	606	1161	1767	1592	801	791	1204	193	1397	30	12	
Vellore	2	Assistant Traffic Manager's Bungalow	2562	251	2311		382	30	412	121	15	136	261	15	276	306	41	347	15	1	Demolished in September 1897 and interest for the year calculated up to end of August/97
		Total Class I.	7391	251	7140		2580	390	2970	727	1176	1903	1853	786	1067	1510	234	1744			
		Class II Buildings the rents of which are fixed in accordance with P.W.D. Code Volume I. X 28 II at 10 percent on the salary and Local allowances of the Tenant.																			
Egmore	3	Assistant Traffic Manager's Bungalow	9769	.	9769		3523	35	3558	1330	324	1654	2193	289	1904	2434	391	2825	35	12	Occupied free of rent from 1st April 1897
Madura	4	do do	6817	.	6817		2507	425	2932	980	69	1049	1527	356	1883	1702	273	1975	35 for 10 months + 37-8-0 for 2 months	12	
Pakala	5	do do	.	7381	7381		.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	148	148	.	.	Vacant
		Total Class II	16586	7381	23967		6030	460	6490	2310	393	2703	3720	67	3787	4136	812	4948			
		Grand Total	23977	7130	31107		8610	850	9460	3037	1569	4606	5573	919	4854	5646	1046	6692			

A. The building was purchased for a sum of Rs 5125 for temporary use in V.G. Ry. Half of the building was subsequently occupied in the open Line as Assistant Traffic Manager's office and the other half rented to a Forest Officer who Vacated it on 1st May 1897. The building was finally demolished in the month of September 1897 as it was in a delapidated Condition. The credit of Rs 251. was the Value of the materials sold and credited to the work.

B. Newly built

C. Allowed to be occupied by the Assistant Traffic Manager, Madras, free of rent Vide Government of India No. 2456 G of 10. 9. 97.

Francis F. Smith
Offg. Agent
13. 9. 98

[signature]
Accountant in charge
Dy: Examiner Ry accounts office
Trichinopoly.

[signature]
Chief Auditor S. I. Ry.

No. 859

South Indian Railway Co., Ld.,

AGENT'S OFFICE,

TRICHINOPOLY, 12th September 1898.

CONSULTING ENGINEER FOR RAILWAYS
RECEIVED
14 SEP. 1898

From

The AGENT,

SOUTH INDIAN RAILWAY,

To

The CONSULTING ENGINEER FOR RAILWAYS,

MADRAS.

4291
14-9-98.

Sir,

Referring to item No 6 of your letter No 2474 of 2nd September 1898, I have the honor to forward herewith, in duplicate, together with a Note thereon, the Capital and Revenue Accounts of Staff Quarters occupied by the Superior Officers of this Company, during the year 1897-98.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most Obedient Servant

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for Offg: Agent.

4 Enclosures herewith.

20.9.98.

From
The Agent,
South Indian Railway,
Trichinopoly,

To
The Consulting Engineer for
Railways,
Madras.

Dated } 189
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Form No. 83.

300—30-6-98.

Office of the Consulting Engineer for Railways,
Madras, ~~14th~~ 16th September 1898.

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RAILWAY ACCOUNTS, MADRAS

No 2580.

OFFICE NOTE.

Letter from the Agent, South Indian Railway, No 859, dated 12th September 1898, forwarded to the Examiner of Railway Accounts, for favor of remarks.

15/9

for E. R.

20/9/98
4.35 pm

EXAMINER'S REPLY.

The statement has been checked as far as possible.

2. The financial results of the buildings as given in the Chief Auditor's note, accompanying, may be reported to the Govt. of India.

3. From the note it is noticed that the demolished Bungalow at Vellore (Item No 2) was in occupation only during April 1897 the figure in column 21 should therefore be 1 and not 2.

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20.9.98 } Encl C. R.

Form No. $\frac{1}{B}$.

No. 2726

Madras, 4 October 1898

From

THE CONSULTING ENGINEER FOR RAILWAYS,

MADRAS,

Reminders

To

THE AGENT S I. RY.

SIR,

Reply No. _____

dated _____

With reference to your letter No. 859 of 12th Sept 1898, I have the honour to state that from the note received therewith it is noticed that the demolished bungalow at Vellore (item 2) was in occupation only during ~~April~~ ~~the month of~~ April 1897. The figure in Column 21 of the Statement has therefore been altered from 2 to 1. I request that your office copy may be corrected accordingly.

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30.9.98.

Despatched on 4/10/98

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PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT,

RAILWAY BRANCH.

Papers to be read in Proceedings:—

Again G.O., dated 189 , No.

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E.R. Current No. 4291 of 1898, dated 14-9-98, from A

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ORDER. No. 1194 Ry dated 1/10/98

Govt of India will be addressed.

To The Comm Engr for Rs

" Agent S.D.R.

" Examiner of Rs Auts Ends

H. E. No. 1195 Rs. of 1st Oct 98

To

The Secretary to the Govt of India P.W.D.

Sir,

I am directed to forward herewith, together with a note thereon by the Chief Auditor, the Capital and Revenue Accounts of Govt buildings on the S.D.R. for the year 1897-98.

Despatched on 4/10/98

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J.L.
D.R.
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