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Through-booking of Rice to Ceylon

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Read again the following papers :—

G.O., No. 1079 R., dated 3rd December 1897.

Read again the following papers :—

G.O., No. 832 R., dated 16th October 1897.

Read the following letter from the Examiner, Guaranteed Railway Accounts, to the Consulting Engineer for Railways, dated Madras, 11th October 1897, No. 505 :—

With reference to South Indian Railway Traffic Department Circular No. R. 261, dated 20th ultimo, I have the honour to state that, in my opinion, the agreements entered into by the South Indian Railway Company with the British India Steam Navigation Company and the Ceylon Government Railway, for through booking, interchange of traffic, apportionment of receipts, settlement of accounts, etc., in connection with the traffic in question, require the sanction of the Government of India, in accordance with section 50 (*d*) of the Indian Railways Act of 1890.

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I have also to point out that, under clause 82 of the Company's contract, the negotiations with the State Railway officials of the Ceylon Government should apparently have been carried out only with the approval of the Secretary of State.

Order—No. 832 R., dated 16th October 1897.

The Government of India will be addressed.

Letter—to the Secretary to the Government of India, Public Works Dept., Simla, dated Ootacamund, 16th October 1897, No. 833 R.

I am directed to forward a copy of Traffic Circular No. R. 261 issued by the South Indian Railway.

2. The Examiner of Railway Accounts, Madras, has pointed out that the agreements with the British India Steam Navigation Company and with the Ceylon Government Railway should not have been entered into without the prior sanction of the Government of India, in accordance with section 50 (*d*) of the Indian Railway Act of 1890 and with clause 82 of the Company's contract.

3. I am instructed, however, to say that as, in the opinion of the Government of Madras, the arrangements made by the Traffic Department are likely to increase considerably the business of the railway, they are recommended for the sanction of the Government of India.

Enclosure.

SOUTH INDIAN RAILWAY Co. (LIMITED).

Traffic Circular No. R. 261.

[Through booking of Rice from Stations on the South Indian Railway to Colombo *viâ* Tuticorin and to Stations on the Ceylon Government Railway *viâ* Tuticorin and Colombo.]

I.—To Colombo.

Rice.—On and after Friday, October 1st, 1897, and until further notice, rice from the following South Indian Railway stations :—

Shiyali,
Vaithisvarankoil,
Anatándavapuram,
Máyavaram,
Kuttálam,
Nárasinganpet,
Tiruvadamarudur,
Kumbakónam,
Pápanásam,
Tanjore,
Mangaanallur,
Peralam,
Nannilam,
Vettár,
Tiruválúr Junction,
Tirunattiyattángudi,
Ponnerei,
Tirutturaippúndi,
Pandi,
Mutupet,
Sáliyamangalam,
Ammápet,
Nídámangalam,
Koradáchéri,
Kulikarai,
Negapatam,

will be charged at the rate of **rupees two, annas two and pies six** (Rs. 2–2–6) per bag, at owner's risk.

The weight of a bag must not exceed 190 lb., and 72 such bags can be loaded in a 6-ton wagon.

If 7-ton covered wagons or the 14-ton bogie platform trucks are used, they can be loaded with such a number of bags as will equal their carrying capacity.

This rate, which is made up as under, includes Customs duty both at Tuticorin and Colombo and other charges *of every description* :

South Indian Railway proportion.	British India Steam Navigation Company's proportion.		Through rate per bag.
	Tuticorin.	Colombo.	
RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.
0 7 1	0 11 4	1 0 1	2 2 6

The rice will be delivered into carts at Colombo wharf by Messrs. Bois Brothers & Co., British India Steam Navigation Company's agents.

Delivery must be taken at Colombo within the time allowed by the Customs authorities there (according to present regulations *three days*), failing which the usual demurrage charges will be recovered.

Returned Gunnies.—The returned empty gunnies of the above consignments will be carried from Colombo to the same South Indian Railway stations at a through rate of **rupee one and annas eight** (Rs. 1–8–0) per bundle (the gross weight of which must not exceed 300 lb.), made up as under :—

British India Steam Navigation Company's proportion.		South Indian Railway proportion.	Through rate per bundle.
Colombo.	Tuticorin.		
RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.
0 6 5	0 6 0	0 11 7	1 8 0

This rate includes *all charges* from Colombo to the South Indian Railway stations named.

II.—To Stations on the Ceylon Government Railway.

Rice.—On and after the same date, similar consignments of rice may be booked from the same stations to the following stations on the Ceylon Government Railway, at the through rates shown opposite them :—

Stations on Ceylon Government Railway.	Code Initials.	South Indian Railway proportion.	British India Steam Navigation Company's proportion.		Ceylon Government Railway proportion.	Through rate per bag.
			Tuticorin.	Colombo.		
		RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.
Kandy	K.D.T.	0 7 1	0 11 4	1 0 1	1 2 1	3 4 7
Wattegama	W.G.A.	0 7 1	0 11 4	1 0 1	1 3 10	3 6 4
Matale	M.T.L.	0 7 1	0 11 4	1 0 1	1 5 11	3 8 5
Gampola	G.P.L.	0 7 1	0 11 4	1 0 1	1 2 11	3 5 5
Nawalapitiya	N.V.P.	0 7 1	0 11 4	1 0 1	1 5 0	3 7 6
Hatton	H T N.	0 7 1	0 11 4	1 0 1	1 12 2	3 14 8
Kotagala	K.G.A.	0 7 1	0 11 4	1 0 1	1 13 2	3 15 8
Talawakele	T.K.L.	0 7 1	0 11 4	1 0 1	1 14 7	4 1 1
Nanu-oya	N.O.A.	0 7 1	0 11 4	1 0 1	2 2 11	4 5 5
Haputale	H.P.T.	0 7 1	0 11 4	1 0 1	2 11 7	4 14 1
Bandarawela	B.D.A.	0 7 1	0 11 4	1 0 1	2 13 11	5 0 5
Kalutara South	K.T.S.	0 7 1	0 11 4	1 0 1	0 4 10	2 7 4
Beruwala	B.R.L.	0 7 1	0 11 4	1 0 1	0 6 3	2 8 9
Alutgama	A.G.M.	0 7 1	0 11 4	1 0 1	0 6 9	2 9 3
Ambalangoda	A.B.A.	0 7 1	0 11 4	1 0 1	0 9 4	2 11 10
Galle	G.L.E.	0 7 1	0 11 4	1 0 1	0 12 6	2 15 0
Matara	M.T.R.	0 7 1	0 11 4	1 0 1	1 1 2	3 3 8

Returned Gunnies.—Returned empty gunnies of the above consignments will be carried from stations on the Ceylon Government Railway to the before-mentioned South Indian Railway stations in bundles not exceeding 300 lb. gross weight at the through rates given below :—

Stations on the Ceylon Government Railway.	Code Initials.	Ceylon Government Railway proportion.	British India Steam Navigation Company's proportion.		South Indian Railway proportion.	Through rate per bundle.
			Colombo.	Tuticorin.		
		RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.
Kandy	K.D.T.	1 3 10	0 6 5	0 6 0	0 11 7	2 11 10
Wattegama	W.G.A.	1 5 10	0 6 5	0 6 0	0 11 7	2 13 10
Matale	M.T.L.	1 8 0	0 6 5	0 6 0	0 11 7	3 0 0
Gampola	G.P.L.	1 4 10	0 6 5	0 6 0	0 11 7	2 12 10
Nawalapitiya	N.V.P.	1 7 1	0 6 5	0 6 0	0 11 7	2 15 1
Hatton	H.T.N.	1 15 7	0 6 5	0 6 0	0 11 7	3 7 7
Kotagala	K.G.A.	2 0 8	0 6 5	0 6 0	0 11 7	3 8 8
Talawakele	T.K.L.	2 2 5	0 6 5	0 6 0	0 11 7	3 10 5
Nanu-oya	N.O.A.	2 7 7	0 6 5	0 6 0	0 11 7	3 15 7
Haputale	H.P.T.	3 1 7	0 6 5	0 6 0	0 11 7	4 9 7
Bandarawela	B.D.A.	3 4 6	0 6 5	0 6 0	0 11 7	4 12 6
Kalutara South	K.T.S.	0 7 5	0 6 5	0 6 0	0 11 7	1 15 5
Beruwala	B.R.L.	0 9 4	0 6 5	0 6 0	0 11 7	2 1 4
Alutgama	A.G.M.	0 10 1	0 6 5	0 6 0	0 11 7	2 2 1
Ambalangoda	A.B.A.	0 13 9	0 6 5	0 6 0	0 11 7	2 5 9
Galle	G.L.E.	1 2 7	0 6 5	0 6 0	0 11 7	2 10 7
Matara	M.T.R.	1 9 4	0 6 5	0 6 0	0 11 7	3 1 4

III.—General.

Consignments both to Colombo and to stations on the Ceylon Government Railway will be booked on a special form of invoice which will be supplied to stations concerned.

The receipt note will be endorsed *Sea Risks excluded. Goods carried by sea subject to the conditions of the British India Steam Navigation Company's form of Bill of lading.*

Every bag of rice booked must be plainly marked with the Code initials of forwarding and receiving stations and the consecutive numbers of consignments (1 to 100).

A statement giving the total number of bags of rice booked must be sent to the Port officer, Tuticorin, by the stationmaster, on the date of booking. The cover containing it can be way billed.

In the event of more than five wagon loads of rice being despatched from any one station in one day, a telegram stating the number of wagons despatched should be sent to Messrs. Adamson, Mactaggart & Co., and the Port officer, Tuticorin, so that necessary arrangements there may be made.

Consignments may be booked either "Paid" or "To Pay" at the option of the senders.

Risk Note (Form B) should be taken for these consignments.

Trichinopoly,
20th September 1897.

HENRY DAVIS,
Acting Traffic Manager.

Read also the following papers :—

From the Under Secretary to the Government of India, Public Works Dept. (Railway Traffic), to the Joint Secretary to the Government of Madras, Public Works Dept., Railway Branch, dated Simla, 2nd November 1897, No. 831 R.T.

With reference to your letter, No. 833 R., dated the 16th October 1897, forwarding a copy of Traffic Circular, No. R. 261, issued by the South Indian Railway, and requesting sanction to the arrangements made with the British India Steam Navigation Company and the Ceylon Government Railway for the through booking of traffic, I am directed to state that the agreements entered into require the sanction of the Government of India as pointed out by the Examiner of Railway Accounts, Madras, and to request that copies of the agreements may accordingly be furnished.

From the Agent, South Indian Railway, to the Consulting Engineer for Railways, dated Trichinopoly, 29th November 1897, No. 1130.

With reference to your endorsement, No. 3495, dated 15th November 1897, on Government of India letter, Public Works Department, No. 831 R.T., dated 2nd November 1897, I have the honour to inform you that no regular agreement has been drawn up with either the British India Steam Navigation Company or with the management of the Ceylon Government Railways in respect to the through booking of rice to Ceylon. The arrangement referred to in Traffic Circular, No. R. 261, was considered an ordinary case of quoting through rates, and the various matters agreed to in the transaction are either embodied in letters which have passed between the Traffic Manager and the other parties to the arrangement, or have been verbally settled by a Traffic officer specially deputed to Ceylon for the purpose.

2. Traffic Circular, No. R. 261, exhibits most of the details accepted, and the remainder are specified in the accompanying memorandum. The rates quoted in the circular are liable to modification six months after the date of introduction, as the British India agents at Tuticorin declined to enter into any permanent arrangements until they had actual experience of the cost of handling the traffic, and the acceptance of British India agents at Colombo is conditional on current rates remaining in force.

3. It is under contemplation to enter into a formal contract with the British India Steam Navigation Company in respect to through booking generally, and it is proposed to adopt the agreement now in force between the Secretary of State and the [illegible] Line as the basis on which our contract should be formulated. When matters are sufficiently advanced, this agreement will be submitted for the sanction of the Government of India and my Board of Directors. In the meantime, I trust the present temporary arrangement may be allowed to stand, as to withdraw now would result in the destruction of what promises to be a most important item of traffic.

ENCLOSURE.

South Indian Railway.

MEMORANDA of the arrangements *other* than those given in the Acting Traffic Manager's Circular No. R. 261, regarding the through booking of rice to Ceylon.

Sea risks.—Messrs. Adamson, Mactaggart & Co., the British India Steam Navigation Company's agents at Tuticorin, have offered to insure the traffic against sea risks, and arrangements are in progress to enable merchants to avail themselves of the opportunity of so protecting themselves.

Division of receipts.—As regards the division of receipts from this traffic, it has been arranged that the British India Steam Navigation Company's agents at Tuticorin shall account to the South Indian Railway, weekly, for all outward consignments received by them, and, similarly, the South Indian Railway shall account to the British India Steam Navigation Company's agents at Tuticorin for traffic coming from the reverse direction—that is to say, that the British India Steam Navigation Company's agents at Tuticorin are regarded in this matter as a contiguous railway.

Acceptance of the Traffic Manager's Circular, No. R. 261.—The Ceylon Government Railway, Messrs. Bois Brothers & Co. (representing the British India Steam Navigation Company at Colombo) and Messrs. Adamson, Mactaggart & Co. (agents for the same line of steamers at Tuticorin) have each accepted this circular in its entirety—Messrs. Bois Brothers remarking that their acceptance is "subject to the present rates remaining in force at Colombo"; and Messrs. Adamson, Mactaggart & Co., that "the arrangement is accepted as a trial measure for six months only."

Working agreement.—The Ceylon Government Railway representative informed Assistant Traffic Manager Mr. S. J. Mercer, who discussed the question on behalf of the South Indian Railway in Ceylon, that his administration was prepared to enter into a working agreement for the through booking of this traffic.

H. DAVIS,
Ag. Traffic Manager.
W. M. SIMPSON,
Chief Auditor.

TRICHINOPOLY,
26th November 1897.

Order—No. 1079 R., dated 3rd December 1897.

The Government of India will be addressed.

Letter—to the Secretary to the Government of India, Public Works Dept., Calcutta, dated Madras, 3rd December 1897, No. 1080 R.

In reply to your letter, No. 831 R.T., dated the 2nd November 1897, I am directed to forward a copy of a letter from the Agent, South Indian Railway, No. 1130, dated the 29th November 1897, with its enclosure, and to say that there would appear to be no objection to the temporary arrangement referred to. When the contemplated agreement of a more permanent character is entered into, it shall, in due course, be submitted for sanction.

2. I am instructed to enquire whether the Government of India still desire that a regular agreement about the arrangements now in force should be at once entered into or whether things may go on as they are until the South Indian Railway and the British India Steam Navigation Company and the Ceylon Railway authorities see their way to entering into a more definite agreement.

Read also the following paper:—

From the Under Secretary to the Government of India, Public Works Dept. (Railway Traffic), to the Joint Secretary to the Government of Madras, Public Works Dept., Railway Branch, dated Calcutta, 22nd December 1897, No. 955 R.T.

With reference to your letter, No. 1080 R., dated the 3rd December 1897, I am directed to state that the Government of India approve of the arrangements entered into by the South Indian Railway Company with the British India Steam Navigation Company and the Ceylon Government Railway for the through booking of rice to Ceylon, and agree to those arrangements being considered tentative until further experience enables the parties concerned to enter into a formal agreement.

ORDER—No. 34 R., dated 7th January 1898.

Communicated to the Agent, South Indian Railway, for information.

(True Extract.)

F. J. E. SPRING,
Joint Secretary.

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

Exd. T. K. Narayana Aiyangar.

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SOUTH INDIAN RAILWAY Co., Ld.

TRAFFIC CIRCULAR NO. R. 261.

Through booking of RICE from stations on the South Indian Railway TO COLOMBO via Tuticorin
AND
TO STATIONS ON THE CEYLON GOVERNMENT RAILWAY via Tuticorin and Colombo.

I. TO COLOMBO.

Rice:—On and after Friday October 1st 1897, & until further notice Rice from the following South Indian Railway Stations.

Shiyali
Vaithisvarankoil
Antandavapuram
Mayavaram
Kuttalam
Narasinganpet
Tiruvadamarudur
Kumbakonam
Papanasam
Tanjore
Manganallur
Peralam
Nannilam
Vettar
Tiruvallur Junction
Tirunattiyattangudi
Ponnerei
Tiruturaipundi
Pandi
Mutupet
Saliyamangalam
Ammapet
Nidamangalam
Koradacheri
Kulikarai
Negapatam

will be charged at the rate of **Rupees TWO, annas TWO and pies SIX (Rs. 2-2-6) per bag**, at owner's risk.

The weight of a bag must not exceed 190 lbs. and 72 such bags can be loaded in a 6 ton wagon.

If 7 ton covered wagons or the 14 ton Bogie platform trucks are used they can be loaded with such a number of bags as will equal their carrying capacity.

This rate, which is made up as under, includes Customs duty both at Tuticorin and Colombo and other charges *of every description.*

S. I. Ry. Proportion.			B. I. S. N. Co.'s Proportion.						**Through rate per bag.**		
			Tuticorin.			Colombo.					
Rs.	a.	p.	Rs.	a.	p.	Rs.	a.	p.	Rs.	a.	p.
0	7	1	0	11	4	1	0	1	2	2	6

The Rice will be delivered into Carts at Colombo wharf by Messrs. Bois Brothers & Co., British India Steam Navigation Company's Agents.

Delivery must be taken at Colombo within the time allowed by the Customs authorities there (according to present Regulations *three days*) failing which the usual demurrage charges will be recovered.

Returned Gunnies.— The returned empty gunnies of the above consignments will be carried from Colombo to the same South Indian Railway stations at a through rate of **Rupee ONE and annas EIGHT** (R. 1 8 0) per bundle, (the gross weight of which must not exceed 300 lbs.,) made up as under :—

B. I. S. N. Co.'s Proportion.						South Indian Railway Proportion.			**Through rate per bundle.**		
Colombo.			Tuticorin.								
Rs.	a.	p.	Rs.	a.	p.	Rs.	a.	p.	Rs.	a.	p
0	6	5	0	6	0	0	11	7	1	8	0

This rate includes *all charges* from Colombo to the South Indian Railway stations named.

II. TO STATIONS ON THE CEYLON GOVERNMENT RAILWAY.

Rice : On and after the same date, similar consignments of Rice may be booked from the same stations to the following stations on the Ceylon Government Railway, at the through rates shewn opposite them :—

Stations on Ceylon Govt. Railway.	Code Initi-als.	S. I. Ry. propor-tion.			B. I. S. N. Co.'s proportion.						Ceylon Govt Railway proportion.			**Through rate per bag.**		
					Tuticorin.			Colombo.								
		Rs.	a.	p.	Rs.	a.	p.	Rs.	a	p.	Rs.	a.	p.	Rs.	a.	p.
Kandy	K.D.T.	0	7	1	0	11	4	1	0	1	1	~~1~~ 2	~~8~~ 1	3	4	~~2~~ 7
Wattegama	W. G. A.	0	7	1	0	11	4	1	0	1	1	3	10	3	6	4
Matale	M. T. L.	0	7	1	0	11	4	1	0	1	1	5	11	3	8	5
Gampola	G. P. L.	0	7	1	0	11	4	1	0	1	1	2	11	3	5	5
Nawalapitiya	N. V. P.	0	7	1	0	11	4	1	0	1	1	5	0	3	7	6
Hatton	H. T. N.	0	7	1	0	11	4	1	0	1	1	12	2	3	14	8
Kotagala	K. G. A.	0	7	1	0	11	4	1	0	1	1	13	2	3	15	8
Talawakele	T. K. L.	0	7	1	0	11	4	1	0	1	1	14	7	4	1	1
Nanu-oya	N. O. A.	0	7	1	0	11	4	1	0	1	2	2	11	4	5	5
Haputale	H. P. T.	0	7	1	0	11	4	1	0	1	2	11	7	4	14	1
Bandarawela	B. D. A.	0	7	1	0	11	4	1	0	1	2	13	11	5	0	5
Kalutara South	K. T. S.	0	7	1	0	11	4	1	0	1	0	4	10	2	7	4
Beruwala	B. R. L.	0	7	1	0	11	4	1	0	1	0	6	3	2	8	9
Alutgama	A. G. M.	0	7	1	0	11	4	1	0	1	0	6	9	2	9	[illegible]
Ambalangoda	A. B. A.	0	7	1	0	11	4	1	0	1	0	9	4	2	11	10
Galle	G. L. E.	0	7	1	0	11	4	1	0	1	0	12	6	2	15	0
Matara	M. T. R.	0	7	1	0	11	4	1	0	1	1	1	2	3	3	8

Returned Gunnies.—Returned empty gunnies of the above consignments will be carried from stations on the Ceylon Government Railway to the before mentioned South Indian Railway stations in bundles not exceeding 300 lbs. gross weight at the through rates given below :—

Stations on the Ceylon Government Railway.	Code Initials.	Ceylon Govt. Railway Proportion.			B. I. S. N. Co.'s proportion.						South Indian Railway Pro-portion.			**Through rate per bundle.**		
					Colombo.			Tuticorin.								
		Rs.	a.	p.	Rs.	a	p.	Rs.	a.	p.	Rs.	a.	p.	Rs.	a.	p.
Kandy	K. D. T.	1	3	10	0	6	5	0	6	0	0	11	7	2	11	10
Wattegama	W. G. A.	1	5	10	0	6	5	0	6	0	0	11	7	2	13	10
Matale	M. T. L.	1	8	0	0	6	5	0	6	0	0	11	7	3	0	0
Gampola	G. P. L.	1	4	10	0	6	5	0	6	0	0	11	7	2	12	10
Nawalapitiya	N. V. P.	1	7	1	0	6	5	0	6	0	0	11	7	2	15	1
Hatton	H. T. N	1	15	7	0	6	5	0	6	0	0	11	7	3	7	7
Kotagala	K. G. A.	2	0	8	0	6	5	0	6	0	0	11	7	3	8	8
Talawakele	T. K. L.	2	2	5	0	6	5	0	6	0	0	11	7	3	10	5
Nanu-oya	N. O. A.	2	7	7	0	6	5	0	6	0	0	11	7	3	15	7
Haputale	H. P. T.	3	1	7	0	6	5	0	6	0	0	11	7	4	9	7
Bandarawela	B. D. A.	3	4	6	0	6	5	0	6	0	0	11	7	4	12	6
Kalutara South	K. T. S.	0	7	5	0	6	5	0	6	0	0	11	7	1	15	5
Beruwala	B. R. L.	0	9	4	0	6	5	0	6	0	0	11	7	2	1	4
Alutgama	A. G. M.	0	10	1	0	6	5	0	6	0	0	11	7	2	2	1
Ambalangoda	A. B. A.	0	13	9	0	6	5	0	6	0	0	11	7	2	5	9
Galle	G. L. E.	1	2	7	0	6	5	0	6	0	0	11	7	2	10	7
Matara	M. T. R.	1	9	4	0	6	5	0	6	0	0	11	7	3	1	4

III. GENERAL.

Consignments both to Colombo and to stations on the Ceylon Government Railway will be booked on a special form of Invoice which will be supplied to stations concerned.

The Receipt Note will be endorsed "*Sea Risks excluded. Goods carried by sea subject to the "conditions of the British India Steam Navigation Company's form of Bill of lading.*"

Every bag of Rice booked must be plainly marked with the Code initials of forwarding and receiving stations and the consecutive numbers of consignments (1 to 100).

A statement giving the total number of Bags of Rice booked must be sent to the Port Officer, Tuticorin, by the Station Master, on the date of booking. The cover containing it can be waybilled.

In the event of more than five wagon loads of Rice being despatched from any one station in [illegible] day, a Telegram stating the number of wagons despatched should be sent to Messrs. Adamso[illegible]actaggart & Co., and the Port Officer, Tuticorin, so that necessary arrangements there may be made.

Consignments may be booked either "Paid" or "To pay" at the option of the senders.

Risk Note Form B should be taken for these consignments.

TRAFFIC MANAGER'S OFFICE,
Trichinopoly, 20th September 1897.

HENRY DAVIES,
Ag. Traffic Manager.

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Form No. 2.

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GOVERNMENT OF INDIA. P. W. DEPARTMENT.

RAILWAY BRANCH.

No. 505. Print Madras, 11th October 1897.

1 From

The EXAMINER, GUARANTEED RAILWAY ACCOUNTS,
Madras,

To

The Consulting Engineer for Railways
Madras.

Sir,

With reference to South Indian Railway Traffic department circular No R261 dated 20th ultimo, I have the honour to state that in my opinion the agreements entered into by the South Indian Railway Company with the British India Steam Navigation Company and the Ceylon Government Railway, for through booking, interchange of traffic, apportionment of receipts, settlement of accounts etc. in connection with the traffic in question, require the sanction of the Government of India, in accordance with section + 50 (d) of the Indian Railways act of 1890.

Copy of circ. put up

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I have also to point out that, under clause + 82 of the Company's contract, the

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negotiations with the State Railway Officials of the Ceylon Government should apparently have been carried out only with the approval of the Secretary of State.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your Most Obedient Servant,

EWAllen Major, R.E.,
Examiner, Railway Accounts,
Madras.

Ask India to sanction

13/10/87

From

THE EXAMINER,

GUARANTEED RAILWAY ACCOUNTS,

Madras,

To

No ______

Dated ____________________ 189 .

No. of Enclosures ________

SUBJECT.

. No. 832 R dated 16/10/97

(R.) Form No. 3.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT,
RAILWAY BRANCH.

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PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

READ the following :-

Letter from the Examiner, Guaranteed Railway Accounts, Madras } H.E. No. 505 dated 11/10/97

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Order

The Government of India will be addressed.

(H.S. No. 833 R d/16/10/97)

W.D.L 20/10/97

D.R

To

The Agent, South Indian Ry
" Examiner, S.I. Ry Accts
" Cons: Engr for Rys

d 29/10/97

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No. 832-33. R dated 16/10/97

R Form No. 12.

No. 833. R

Government of Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT,

RAILWAY BRANCH.

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To

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

Ooty, the 16th Octr 1897.

Sir,

I am directed to forward a copy of Traffic Circular No. 261, issued by the South Indian Railway.

2. The Examiner of Railway Accounts Madras has pointed out that the agreements ~~entered into~~ with the B.I.S.N. Co and with the Ceylon Govt. Railway ~~require the~~ should not have been entered into without the prior sanction of the Govt. of India, in accordance with Sec. 50(c) of the Indian Ry. Act of 1890 and with clause 82 of the Company's contract.

A.R.
Well? where are they?
Why were they not sent in accompaniment?
F.U.S.
11/10/97

[illegible] Apparently they were not called for from Madras & [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] letter was [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
11/11/97

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3. I am instructed/directed to say that as in the

opinion of the Govt. of Madras, the arrangements made by the Traffic Dept. are likely to increase considerably the business of the Railway, ~~and the~~ they are recommended ~~them~~ for the sanction of the Govt. of India

13/10/97

F.H.S

15/10/97

Documents accompanying:-
Traffic Circular referred to

Dispd 20/10/97

Public Works (1897) Department.

Railway Branch

CURRENT No. 62

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From
The Govt. of India

~~Order~~ No. 3495 of 15/11/97

Copy forwarded to the Agent South Indian Railway with reference to G.O. No. 832 R of 16 Oct 97 for information & favour of compliance.

No. 831 RT

Dated 2nd November 1897
Received } 10-11-97
Registered }
Enclosures
Spare copies

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F.H.S 11/11/97

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SUBJECT.

Through booking of Traffic with Ceylon.

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stating that the agreements entered into for the — require the sanction of the Govt. of India & requesting that copies of the same may be furnished.

[illegible] F.H.S

[illegible] 11/11/97

Despatched on 15/11/97

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Through booking of traffic with Ceylon.

Stating that the agreements entered into require the sanction of the Govt of India.

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No. 831 R.T.

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

RAILWAY TRAFFIC.

All communications should be addressed to the Secretary.

JOINT SECRETARY TO GOVT. OF MADRAS RYS.
RECEIVED
10 NOV. 1897

To

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

Simla, the 2nd November 1897.

Sir,

With reference to your letter No. 833 R., dated the 16th October 1897, forwarding a copy of Traffic Circular No. R 261 issued by the South Indian Railway, and requesting sanction to the arrangements made with the British India Steam Navigation Company and the Ceylon Government Railway for the through booking of traffic, I am directed to state that the agreements entered into require the sanction of the Government of India as pointed out by the Examiner of Railway Accounts, Madras, and to request that copies of the agreements may accordingly be furnished.

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

Under Secretary.

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Documents accompanying:-
Nil.

SOUTH INDIAN RAILWAY.

AGENT'S OFFICE.

November 24th 1897

G. No. 5166
Recd. 25/11/97

My dear Mr. Spring,

We have a proposal in conjunction with the British India to issue cheap excursion tickets between Madras and Colombo for the Xmas holidays. In view however of the attitude taken by India in the matter of our through booking I am doubtful whether we can go on with the proposal. The Agreement will be nothing more than lumping together the B.I and S.I. Ry charges and for each party to collect and divide the receipts they may collect. We have never entered into a formal contract with the B.I in regard to the quotation of through rates, as matters of this sort have been considered cases of ordinary through-booking. As you doubtless know we have had through-booking in force for years past in connection with cooly traffic, and no objection has been raised till recently. If it is necessary to obtain India's sanction to a formal Agreement for the holiday tickets, I must give up the idea as it is utterly impossible to push matters through in time. The B.I. offer to charge single fares for the double journey and we might ask a fare and a half. It seems a pity to lose traffic for the sake

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7/5/98

A.B.

I don't know why you are sending Agent a second copy of Indian letter.

FM

Office
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W.S.
26/11/97

Despatched on 26/11/97

My dear Shelley

Your D.O. of Nov. 24th about through booking with Ceylon.

If you will read the Govt of India's letter again, together with the Govt Examiner's Note therein referred to (copy enclosed) you will see that India is taking up no attitude of a novel character.

If there has been a formal Agreement you must, under the Railway Act, submit it for sanction. If there has not, and if none seems necessary, then naturally you cannot and need not do so.

The Examiner seems to me to be wrong in his reference to Sect 82 of your Contract, as I cannot see how he can describe the Govt. of the Colony of Ceylon as either an allied, a tributary, or a foreign State.

Yours truly

F. Spring 26/11/97

South Indian Railway. 9 S.P

Memoranda of the arrangements, other than those given in the Acting Traffic Manager's Circular No. R 261, regarding the through booking of Rice to Ceylon.

Sea risks. Messrs. Adamson Mactaggart and Company, the British India Steam Navigation Company's Agents at Tuticorin have offered to insure the traffic against sea risks, and arrangements are in progress to enable merchants to avail themselves of the opportunity of so protecting themselves.

Division of Receipts. As regards the division of receipts from this traffic, it has been arranged that the British India Steam Navigation Company's Agents at Tuticorin shall account to the South Indian Railway, weekly, for all outward consignments received by them, and, similarly, the South Indian Railway shall account to the British India Steam Navigation Company's Agents at Tuticorin for traffic coming from the reverse direction. – that is to say that the British India Steam Navigation Company's Agents at Tuticorin are regarded in this matter as a contiguous Railway.

Acceptance.

10 S.P

Acceptance of the Traffic Managers' Circular Nº R 261 - The Ceylon Government Railway, Messrs Bois Brothers and Company (representing the B. I. S. N. Company at Colombo) and Messrs Adamson Mactaggart and Company (Agents for the same line of Steamers at Tuticorin) have each accepted this circular in its entirety, Messrs Bois Brothers remarking that their acceptance is "subject to the present rates remaining in force at Colombo" and Messrs Adamson Mactaggart and Company that "the arrangement is accepted as a trial measure for 6 months only."

Working Agreement - The Ceylon Government Railway representative informed Assistant Traffic Manager Mr S. J. Mercer, who discussed the question on behalf of the South Indian Railway in Ceylon, that his administration was prepared to enter into a Working Agreement for the through booking of this traffic.

(Signed) H. Davies
Ag: Traffic Managr.

Trichinopoly
26th November 1897

(Signed) W. M. Simpson
Chief Auditor

(True Copy)
H Le Mesurier
for Agent

Agent's Office
29th November 1897

ENC. No. 1 TO E. R'S C. No. 5268 OF 1897
LETTER No. 1130 D/ 29. 11. 97
FROM A

No. 1130

South Indian Railway Co., Ld.
AGENT'S OFFICE,
Trichinopoly, 29th November 1897.

C. No. 5268
Recd. 1-12-97

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CONSULTING ENGINEER FOR RAILWAYS, MADRAS.

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From
THE AGENT,
SOUTH INDIAN RAILWAY,

To
THE CONSULTING ENGINEER
FOR RAILWAYS,
MADRAS.

Sir,

Flag F 1. With reference to your endorsement No. 3495 dated 15th November 1897, on Government of India letter P. W. D. No. 831 R. T. dated 2nd November 1897, I have the honor to inform you that no regular agreement has been drawn up with either the British India Steam Navigation Company or with the Management of the Ceylon Government Railways in respect to the through booking of rice to Ceylon. The arrangement referred to in Traffic Circular No. R 261 (Flag P) was considered an ordinary case of quoting through rates, and the various matters agreed to in the transaction are either embodied in letters which have passed between the Traffic Manager and the other parties to the arrangement or have been verbally settled by a Traffic Officer specially deputed to Ceylon for the purpose.

2. Traffic Circular No. R 261 exhibits most of the details accepted and the remainders are specified in the accompanying memorandum. The rates quoted in the Circular are liable

to

to modification six months after the date of introduction, as the British India Agents at Tuticorin declined to enter into any permanent arrangements until they had actual experience of the cost of handling the traffic and the acceptance of British India Agents at Colombo is conditional on current rates remaining in force.

3. It is under contemplation to enter into a formal Contract with the British India Steam Navigation Company in respect to through booking generally, and it is proposed to adopt the Agreement now in force between the Secretary of State and the Hall Line as the basis on which our Contract should be formulated. When matters are sufficiently advanced this Agreement will be submitted for the sanction of the Government of India and my Board of Directors. In the meantime I trust the present temporary arrangement may be allowed to stand, as to withdraw now would result in the destruction of what promises to be a most important item of traffic.

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

A. D. G. Shelley
Captain R.E.
Agent.

1 Enclosure.

From
The Agent,
South Indian Railway,
Trichinopoly.

To
The Consulting Engineer for Railways,
Madras.

Dated 189

Received

No.

Enclosure.

No. 1079. R dated 3/12/97

P.W. Department.

Ry: Branch

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PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

READ again the following

Progs: of the Madras Govt: P. W. Deptt: } Print H.E. No. 832-33 R of 16 Octr 1897

Read also

Letter from the Govt. of India P.W.D. } Print H.E. No. 831 R.T. of 2nd November 1897

Letter from the Agent S. I. Ry. } Print H.E. No 1130 of 29 November 1897

The Government of India will be addressed.

H.E. No. 1080. R dated 3/12/97

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R. Form No. 12.

No. 1080.R

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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 3rd December 1897.

Sir,

In reply to your letter No. 831.R.T. dated the 2nd Nov. 97. I am directed to forward a copy of a letter from the Agent. S. I. Ry. No. 1130. dated the 29th Nov. 97, with its enclosures and to say that there would appear to be no objection to the temporary arrangement referred to. When the contemplated Agreement of a more permanent character is entered into, it should in due course be submitted for sanction.

I am instructed to
~~[illegible]~~ enquire whether the Govt. of India still desire that a regular agreement about the arrangement now in force should be at once entered into, or whether things may go on as they are until the S. I. Ry. and the British India S.N.C. and the Ceylon Ry. Authorities see their way to entering into a more definite agreement.

I have &c

Despatched on 4/12/97
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Documents accomp:
Copy of letter from the Agent, S.I.Ry, with an Encl.

Public Works (1898) Department.

Railway Branch

CURRENT No. 6

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From

The Govt of India

Order

Communicated to
the Agent S. I. Ry with reference
to correspondence ending with his
letter No. 1130 dd 29th Novr 1857.

No. 955 R. T.

Dated	22. 12. 97
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SUBJECT.

Through booking of rice to Ceylon.

Approving the tentative arrangements entered into by the S. I. Co with the British India Steam Navigation Co & the Ceylon Govt Railway for the —

Agent S. I. Ry
Exr Genl Ry Accts
Consg Engr for Rys

1/8/98

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RAILWAY TRAFFIC.

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JOINT SECRETARY TO
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3 JAN 1898
GOVT. OF MADRAS P.W.S.

To

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

Calcutta, the 22nd December 1897.

Sir,

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With reference to your letter No.1080 R., dated the 3rd December 1897, I am directed to state that the Government of India approve of the arrangements entered into by the South Indian Railway Company with the British India Steam Navigation Company and the Ceylon Government Railway for the through booking of rice to Ceylon, and agree to those arrangements being considered tentative until further experience enables the parties concerned to enter into a formal agreement.

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

W Wonham Carter

Captain R.E.
Offg. Under Secretary

Ld

Documents accompanying.
Nil.

K.B.G.

Department.

Form No. 3.

No. 34. R dated 7/1/9

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PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

RAILWAY BRANCH.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

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READ again the following

Progs: of the Madras Govt. P. W. Deptt. } G.O. No. 1079-80 R of 3rd Decr

Read also

Letter from the Govt. of India P. W. Deptt } G.O. No. 955 R.T. of 22nd Decr

Communicat to the Agent S. I. Rai for information. —

HL 5/1/98

To the Agent S. I. Ry Superintendent 7/1/98
" - Exd. Ry. Accts.
" - Consg. Engr for Rys. Sd 5/1/98