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Question of clearance of land made over by Government, free of cost, to a Railway Company for purposes of construction of a railway.

Simla, the 16th May 1898.

SIR,

The Government of India having had under consideration certain questions in connection with the cost of clearing land which has been made over by Government, free of cost, to a Railway Company for the purposes of the construction of a railway, and in regard to the rights of the Railway Company to the use or disposal of any buildings, trees, materials or other property which may have to be acquired with the land, I am directed to inform you that the Government of India have decided that the Railway Company concerned, in the absence of any express stipulation to the contrary, are entitled to dispose of or use for the purposes of the railway only any material, trees, buildings, etc., that may be on the land when it is handed over to them, but that Government are clearly entitled to dispose, or stipulate for the disposal, before handing over the land, of any buildings, crops, trees, etc., which they may have been obliged to acquire with the land and to apply the proceeds in reduction of the cost of acquisition. Further it is the business of the Railway Company to clear the land of all obstacles or obstructions and prepare it for the construction of the railway, and Government undertake to secure them empty possession only, free of legal encumbrances.

I have the honour to be,

SIR,

Your most obedient Servant,

Chyke
Under Secretary

Documents accompanying.
Nil.