

Public Works (1899) Department.

RAILWAY BRANCH.

G.O., No. 721. *Lg*

DATED 3rd July 1899

Includes G. O. No 1573-74 *Lg* of 23/12/98.

[Despatch Abstract.]

Government Live Stock

Coming to the Agents, Messrs. S. Skys, for info and guidance, letter from the Govt. of India stating that all — despatched over railways should in future, be invariably regarded as being booked & carried at owner's risk without any declaration to that effect or the execution of risk notes by despatching officers.

G.O.	No.	Department.	Date.	G.O.	No.	Department.	Date.

Good live-stock.

Forwarding for opinion
copies of correspondence
from the Manager N. W. Ry.
recommending the acceptance
of the proposal made by the
Traffic Supdt. N. W. Ry. re.
the brooking of — as a matter
of course at owner's risk rates.

24.11.98

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

RAILWAY TRAFFIC.

Simla, the 10th November 1898.

The under-mentioned papers are forwarded to the Local Governments and Administrations, and to the officers, noted in the margin, with the request that the Government of India may be furnished with the opinion (s) of the railway administration (s) under their control on the proposal that all Government live-stock despatched over railways which quote lower rates for their carriage at owner's risk than at railway risk should, in future, be invariably regarded as being booked and carried at owner's risk without any declaration to that effect or the execution of risk notes by despatching officers, except in cases when it is expressly stated in the warrants that they are for despatch at railway risk.

Copies also forwarded to the Managers, Eastern Bengal, Oudh and Rohilkhand and East Coast (State) railways for an expression of opinion.

By order,

W. McMahon Captain, R.E.,
Offg. Under Secretary to the Government of India.

No. 289 D. R. T., dated Lahore, the 22nd August 1898.

From—The Manager, North Western Railway.

To—The Director of Railway Traffic.

To The Joint Secretary to the Govt. of Madras,
Public Works Department,
with 50 spare copies
Railway Branch.

No. 2291, dated Lahore, 8th August 1898.

From—The Traffic Superintendent, North Western railway,

To—The Manager, North Western railway, Lahore.

Rate for carriage Government live-stock.

I have the honour to state that at present Government live-stock is carried at the same rates and under the same conditions as apply to the general public. Under these rates when live-stock is carried at owner's risk the senders are required to execute a Risk Note, Form B. The Government have ruled that Government live-stock must invariably be carried by the railway at the lower owner's risk rates, the despatching officer being held responsible that this is done, and that a Risk Note in Form B is executed. It, however, often happens that these orders are lost sight of by the despatching officer and either from neglect or want of time a risk note in proper form is not executed, with the result that the railway is forced to charge the higher railway risk rates which the Auditor, Commissariat Accounts, invariably objects to pass and a lengthy correspondence ensues and is kept up for months by the two Departments before the matter is finally disposed of, and in the majority of cases, large amounts of revenue have to be written off by the railway as irrecoverable.

2. With the view of remedying this, I have the honour to enquire whether it could not be arranged with the Military Department that all live-stock should, in the absence of any special orders to the contrary in the case of any particular consignment, be booked as a matter of course at owner's risk rates, the Military Department agreeing to free the railway from all responsibility when these lower rates are charged and not to make any claims in such cases. If an arrangement of this kind could be effected it would save a lot of unnecessary trouble and correspondence and there would then be no further necessity to require the execution in every case of a risk note.

3. If you approve of this idea I shall be glad if you will refer the matter to Government and favour me with a reply.

No. 9555

MADRAS RAILWAY.

AGENT AND MANAGER'S OFFICE,

MADRAS, 5th December 1898.

From

To

The Agent and Manager,

Madras Railway Company,

The Consulting Engineer for Railways.

SIR,

Madras.

With reference to your endorsement
 Flag B. No. 3232^X dated the 26th November 1898 on the
 Government of India circular No. 1259 R.
 dated the 10th November 1898, I have the
 honour to suggest that in the case of
 Government animals, all live stock should,
 in the absence of any special orders to the
 contrary in the case of any particular consign-
 -ment, be booked at owner's risk as a
 matter of course, the Military Department
 agreeing to free the Railway from all responsibility
 in respect to animals so booked.

I have the honour to be,
 Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

L. M. M.

Agent & Manager.

No. 1136

South Indian Railway Co., Ltd.,

AGENT'S OFFICE,

TRICHINOPOLY, 17th December 1898.

From

The AGENT,

SOUTH INDIAN RAILWAY,

To

The CONSULTING ENGINEER FOR RAILWAYS,

MADRAS.

Sir,

With reference to your endorsement No. 3232 dated 26th November 1898, I have the honor to inform you that I agree with the proposal of the Traffic Superintendent North-Western Railway, that all live-stock should, in the absence of any special orders to the contrary, be booked at owner's risk as a matter of course.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient Servant,

J. H. Mesurier
for Agent.

Papers to be read in Proceedings:—

Again G.O., dated

189 , No.

Again G.O., dated

189 , No.

Plat. Current No. 1387 of 1898, dated 10.11.98, from India

ER " " 5752 " 1898, " 7.12.98, " A.M

ER " " 5944 " 1898, " 19.12.98, " A.

ORDER.N^o. 1573 R^y 23/12/98.The Government
of India will be addressed:N^o. 1574 R^y
23.12.98.The Secy: to the Govt. of India
P. W. D.

Sir

With reference to
your Memorandum N^o 1259 R^y
of 10.11.98, I am directed
to forward the opinions
of the Agents Messrs S. J. R.
on the proposal to book for
all Government live stock
at owner's risk.

[Signature]
23.12.98.

23/12/98

Documents accy.

A.M's N^o 9553 of 5-12-98
1164

As - 1136 of 17.12.98

[Signature]
23/12/98

Dated
Received

No.

ENCLOSURE.

To

THE CONSULTING ENGINEER FOR
RAILWAYS,

Madras.

From

THE AGENT,

South Indian Railway,

Trichinopoly,

Public Works (1899) Department.

P. W. D.

CURRENT No. 848

Receivable
G.O. No. 1573-4 Rdy 23.12.98.

Readular.
Letter from the Genl. Insp. W.
562 Rdy 14.6.99.

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From the Genl. of India

Order -

No. 721 Rdy dated 3/7/99

Communicated
to the Agents. Madras &
L. Hs for information &
guidance.

No. 562 R.T.

Dated 14th June '99

Received 29-6-99.

Registered — do —

Enclosures

Spare copies

Despatched on 3/7/99

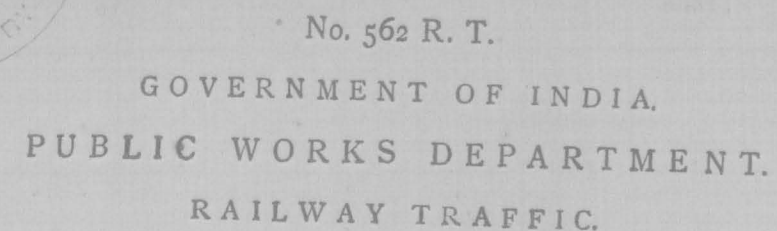
30.6.99.

SUBJECT.

Government line - stock

Stating that all —
despatched over railways
should in future be invariably
regarded as being booked
& carried at owner's risk
without any declaration
to that effect or the execution
of risk notes by despatching
officers.

Am. M. O.
A. D. S. from Genl.
P. R. } M. O.
C. R. }



THE GOVERNMENTS OF MADRAS, BOMBAY, BENGAL AND BURMA.
THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER OF ASSAM.
THE RESIDENT AT HYDERABAD.
THE AGENT TO THE GOVERNOR GENERAL FOR RAJPUTANA.
THE CONSULTING ENGINEERS TO THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA FOR RAILWAYS,
CALCUTTA, LUCKNOW AND ASSAM.

SIR,

2. The necessary alteration will be made in paragraph 208 of Army Regulations, India, Volume X, Part II.

SIR,

Your most obedient Servant,

W. ~~McCarthy~~ Captain, R.E.,
Offg. Under Secy. to the Govt. of India.

G. C. Press, Simla.—No. 210 P. W. D.—18-6-99.—500.

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