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Government of Madras.

Revenue **DEPARTMENT.**

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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
21st October 1868.

No. 314. Read the following letter from the Accountant General, Madras, to the Acting Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, dated Fort St. George, 6th October 1868, No. 175 :—

1. In forwarding the enclosed Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, No. 6,663, dated 18th instant, I have the honor to state that the permission given in Proceedings of Government, No. 3,023, dated 7th November 1866, is considered by this department to be confined to those cases only in which the claims of the Officers concerned come under the cognizance of the Board of Revenue, that is, when they travel within their own districts, and have a title to extra tentage ; but Mr. Warner's journey on the occasion in question was from one district to another, for which *extra tentage was not payable*, it was therefore not considered as coming within the scope of the Order quoted, and was dealt with as a claim for travelling allowance under the usual rules ; the Acting Sub-Secretary, Revenue Board, is mistaken in asserting that claims for travelling expenses in lieu of *mileage*, sanctioned by the Board, have been admitted by the Audit Department.

2. As the rules for travelling allowance on joining appointments, or on transfer from one district to another, have been sanctioned by the Government of India, I beg to point out that any alteration of them will need confirmation by that Government.

Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 18th September 1868, No. 6,663.

Read again Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 23rd June 1868, No. 4,635.

Read also the following Memorandum from the Deputy Accountant General, Madras, to the Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Fort St. George, 3rd July 1868, No. 1,785.

1. *Vide* your Proceedings, No. 4,635, dated 23rd June 1868.

2. States that the Government Order of 7th November 1866, No. 3,023, authorises the Board to sanction a mileage *in lieu of extra tentage ;* but this presumes that an extra tentage is claimable. For the journey performed by Mr. Lee Warner, which was from one district to another, extra tentage could not have been claimed, and, therefore, the Board do not appear to have the power, in this instance, to sanction the charge they have admitted. The special sanction of Government, therefore, must be obtained before this department can admit Mr. Lee Warner's claim.

(Signed) R. W. LODWICK,
Deputy Accountant General.

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1. Resolved that the foregoing papers be submitted for the orders of Government.

2. It will be observed that agreeably to a telegram issued from this office, dated 11th February 1868, Mr. Lee Warner had to proceed expeditiously from Vellore to Tripatore, on special duty, taking with him his tents and horses, and that in this journey his *bonâ fide* travelling expenses amounted to Rupees 31-0-6.

3. In his original Objection Statement of the 15th April 1868, which is herewith submitted, Mr. Lodwick admitted only a portion of the amount, namely, Rupees 10-8-0, being mileage at three Annas a mile for the trip by rail from Vellore to Tripatore, and disallowed the remainder.

4. On Mr. Warner's representation through the Acting Collector of North Arcot, the Board, under the authority vested in them in Government Order, dated 7th November 1866, No. 3,023, sanctioned the charge in question, as will be seen by their Proceedings of 23rd June 1868, No. 4,635.

5. In the second paper recorded above, Mr. Lodwick states that the Order of Government referred to authorises the Board to sanction a mileage *in lieu of extra tentage ;* that as the journey performed by Mr. Warner was from one district to another, the latter allowance could not

have been claimed ; and that, therefore, the Board do not appear to have the power, in this instance, to sanction the charge.

6. In the Order under reference, Government were pleased to rule that "the Accountant "General will admit all charges passed by the Board of Revenue of the nature of a travelling allow- "ance in lieu of extra tentage." Since the issue of this Order, the Board have sanctioned several claims for *bonâ fide* travelling expenses incurred by the Officers of the Revenue Department in lieu of *mileage* or *extra tentage* ; but no objection has hitherto been taken by the Audit Department in any such cases.

7. Under the above circumstances, the Board request that the Government will be pleased to confirm their Proceedings in Mr. Warner's case, and to empower the Board to pass all *bonâ fide* travelling expenses, in lieu of *mileage* or *extra tentage*, which may be incurred by the Officers of the Revenue Department, whenever they may have occasion to travel expeditiously for a particular or special duty.

No. 315. ORDER THEREON, 21st October 1868, No. 2,669.

Miscellaneous.

1. The view taken by the Accountant General is correct. The Order of Government, under date 7th November 1866, No. 3,023, merely authorises the Board to pass the travelling expenses of District Officers for journeys within their own districts.

2. Under the circumstances stated in paragraph 2 of the Board's Proceedings, however, the Government are pleased to authorise the Accountant General to pass Mr. Lee Warner's travelling expenses as a special case.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) R. A. DALYELL,
Acting Secretary to Government.

To the Accountant General.
,, the Board of Revenue.

Exd. F. R. Bantleman.

Govt. of Madras.

REVENUE.

To

THE ACCOUNTANT GENERAL,
&c., &c., &c.

Dated October, 21st.
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Exd.

G. O., 21st October 1868, No. 2,669.

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Mr. Lee Warner's travelling expenses.—Accountant General's view in this case considered correct, and authority granted for passing the amount as a special case.

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The view taken by the Asst General is correct. The order of Govt under date 7th Nov. 1866 No 3023 merely authorises the Board to pass Travelling expenses of District Officers (formerly) within their own Districts.

Under the circumstances stated in para 2 of the Boards Proceedings, however, the Govt are pleased to authorise the Asst General to pass Mr Lee Warners travelling expenses as a special case

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