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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

4th December 1877, No. 3,343.

Read the following papers:—

No. 17. From L. C. PROBYN, Esq., Accountant-General, Madras, to C. G. MASTER, Esq., Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, dated Fort St. George, 26th October 1877, No. 870.

With reference to G.O., No. 3,061, dated 2nd October 1877, I have the honor respectfully to point out that although extra tentage is given to a Madras Civilian attached to the Revenue Department for providing office accommodation for his establishment without any restriction as to the number of days for which it is claimable, the allowance is in reality a travelling allowance.

2. In support of this view I beg to annex copy of my letter to the Government of India, Financial Department, dated 19th July, No. 4,374, and of their Order thereon, dated 8th September 1877, No. 2,918, stating that extra tentage is simply travelling allowance.

3. Although His Grace in Council is competent under the Government of India Order of 30th June 1877, No. 1,582, Financial, to permit extra tentage to be drawn for a period beyond the ten days named by Government of India, this special sanction must be given in each individual case. It would be better therefore, in my opinion, for His Grace in Council to report for confirmation of the Government of India the general rule laid down for compensating an officer in independent charge for providing accommodation for his establishment in the absence of any Government Office at the head-quarter station, if, as is apprehended, it be desired to maintain the present rule.

ENCLOSURE No. 1.

From L. C. PROBYN, Esq., Accountant-General, Madras, to the Secretary to the Government of India, dated Fort St. George, 19th July 1877, No. 4,374.

With reference to your letter No. 1,582, dated 30th June 1877, I have the honor to respectfully point out that there appears some doubt, owing to the peculiar wording of the order, whether in case (c) therein set forth the Local Government (as well as the Government of India) is competent to authorise halting allowance to be drawn for more than ten days at once place. I believe the exception given in the first three lines of the order is intended to refer only to (a) and (b) cases; but I think as the order stands doubts may occur to those who wish to read it otherwise.

I beg also to inquire whether case (c) is intended to refer to the allowance called extra tentage drawn by Civil Officers in this Presidency. It would have been well, I think, if, when the Government of India Order No. 44, dated 4th May 1876, issued, the Local Government had been moved to give another name to this allowance, which though calculated at different rates, and under different rules, is as much a travelling allowance as the similar allowances drawn by the Bengal Officers. The rules on the subject have been reported in the Draft Travelling Allowance Code, and I will only remark in connection with this reference that they permit the allowance being drawn for a halt of thirty days, or even more, with the Board's sanction under certain conditions, and they also allow the Sub-Collectors and other subordinate officers to draw it for halts to any extent when there is no suitable public office accommodation available.

ENCLOSURE No. 2.

From E. J. SINKINSON, Esq., Officiating Under Secretary to the Government of India, Financial Department, to L. C. PROBYN, Esq., Accountant-General, Madras, dated Simla, 8th September 1877, No. 2,918.

With reference to your letter No. 4,374, dated the 19th July 1877, regarding the interpretation of Financial Resolution, No. 1,582, dated the 30th June 1877, I am directed to state that

the intention is to empower the Local Government to permit halting allowance to be drawn for halts exceeding ten days. The "extra tentage" alluded to in your letter being simply traveling allowance under another name, the restriction of the ten days' halt applies to it also.

(True Copies).

(Signed) L. C. PROBYN,
Accountant-General.

No. 18. ORDER THEREON, 4th December 1877, No. 3,343.

Miscellaneous.

THE Government observe that the submission of the reference made by the Accountant-General to the Government of India was unneeded, for it had already* been intimated that the resolution relating to halting allowance affected the rule hitherto governing the period for which extra tentage could be drawn at any one place by an officer absent from head-quarters.

*G.O., 2nd October 1877, No. 3,061.

2. The point at issue was the case of an officer who, while residing at the head-station of his division, was allowed, under Rule 11, to draw extra tentage throughout the year as remuneration for providing accommodation for his office and records, not only in camp but also at head-quarters owing to there being no Government building available. Under such circumstances, an allowance of

†See end of paragraph 5, Extract Minutes of Consultation, 13th May 1828, No. 373.

some kind must be given, and since the year 1828† the rule has been that it should be calculated at the rate fixed for extra tentage.

ment of nearly fifty years' standing.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) C. G. MASTER,
Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue,
Accountant-General,
Financial Department.

Exd. W. H. French.

Audit DEPARTMENT.

No. 870

Fort Saint George,
Accountant General's Office,
26 October 1877.

FROM THE ACCOUNTANT GENERAL

TO THE GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

TO THE

Secretary to Government
Revenue Department

SIR,

With reference to G.O. No. 3061 dated 2^d Oct.
1877. I have the honor respectfully to point out that
although extra tentage is given to a Madras Civilian
attached to the Revenue Department for providing
office accommodation for his establishment without
any restriction as to the number of days for which
it is claimable, the allowance is in reality a travelling
allowance.

2 In support of this view I beg to annex copy of
my letter to the Government of India Financial Department
dated 19th July No. 15374 and of their order thereon dated
8th Sept. 1877 No. 2918 stating that extra tentage is
simply travelling allowance.

3 Although His Grace in Council is Competent
under the Government of India Order of 30 June 1877
No. 1582 Financial to permit extra tentage to be
drawn for a period beyond the 10 days named by
Government of India this special sanction must
be given in each individual case. It would
be better therefore in my opinion for His Grace in

Council

Council to report for Confirmation of the Government of India the general rule laid down for compensating an Officer in independent charge for providing accommodation for his establishment in the absence of any Government office at the head quarter station, if, as is apprehended, it be desired to maintain the present practice unaltered.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most Obedt. Servant

W. S. S. S.
Accountant General

Comptroller

Audit department

No. 374.

Fort Saint George
Actt General's Office
19 July 1877

From
The Accountant General
To
The Secretary to the Government of India.

Sir,
With reference to your letter No. 1582 dated 30 June 1877, I have the honor to respectfully point out that there appears some doubt owing to the peculiar wording of the order whether in case (c) therein set forth the Local Government (as well as the Government of India) is competent to authorize ~~holding~~ allowance to be drawn for more than 10 days at one place. I believe the exception given in the first 3 lines of the order is intended to refer only to (a) & (b) cases: but I think as the order stands doubts may occur to those who wish to read it otherwise.

I beg also to enquire whether case (c) is intended to refer to the allowance called extra ~~travelling~~ drawn by Civil Officers in this Presidency. It would have been well I think if, when the Government of India order No. 44 dated 11 May 1876 issued the Local Government had been moved to give another name to this allowance, which though calculated at different rates and under different rules, is as much a travelling

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2 October 1977 #23-24
2 August 1977 #27-28

Annuity 1877 Department of
Trow No 4352.
The Accountant General
Madras

To
The Secretary to Government
Revenue Department

Dated 26th
Recd: 29th October 1877
Stub: 1

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Subject
Sa 2262 - (1st Class mail)
Pointing out that extra
freightage given to a Civilian of
the Reserve Department for
providing office accommodation
for his establishment is no
really a travelling allowance
as per amended order of
Government of India

with type

order
The Government see no occasion to
make the reference suggested by
the Hon. Genl.

Note

The order was
purposely made as
brief as possible
because it was thought
that the Act. Genl.
would most certainly
send up to the Govt.
of India any order
of this Govt. that
appeared to
contravert their
ruling as to Beltr
tentage.

In G.O. 2nd ad: 77
No. 3061 para 2.
he has already
been told that
this special allowance

is of long standing
& is compensation
for providing office ac-
commodation. He
quite disregards
this & not only would
do so if told the
same again, but
would also take
the whole matter
up to the Govt of
India which, it
is presumed, is
not considered
desirable.

It is to be noted
that the Act. Genl
is now shown to
have been wrong
when (in the S.C.
already quoted)
he intimated that

He raises the matter on
this very purpose & is
most desirous that all
sides of the matter should be
fully before the Govt of India
for reference.

the sanction of the
Govt. of India was
required to the
grant of halting
allowance for more
than ten days.

It seems evident
that he wants these
grants brought
to notice and he
has probably means
of knowing that
they would not
be allowed.

However this may
be, as if he can be
raised unless the
Govt. purposely do
so.

Govt. will draft in such
a manner as to place the
whole before the Govt of India
then the acct. maker, as
he assuredly will, the up-
per therefore adopt
Mr. Haslestone's note as the
basis of a complete Govt.

Should the
members of Govt.
still wish an
addition to the
draft order perhaps

the following
~~from~~ might meet
the case:

order

The Govt. see no
reason to reconsider
their former order
or to make any
reference on the
subject to the
Govt. of India

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Return has been
made & Draft has
been made & passed
11/11/77

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Note & draft 00

On the Govt. of India
letter asking for a
reference to the Govt. of
India regarding
extra lintage for
office accommodation

explaining the position &
closing with a reference to
extra lintage for office
accommodation

Revenue Department.
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Proceedings of the Madras Government
Under date the 4 December 1877.

Read the following
letter from the Accountant
General dated 28 October 1877
No 870 pointing out that
extra lintage given to a bivi-
liant of the Revenue Depart-
ment for providing office
accommodation for his esta-
blishment is in reality a
travelling allowance.

The Government ob-
serve that the reference
made by the Accountant
General to the Govern-
ment of India was
unnecessary for it had
already

MR
30/11

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as remuneration for
providing accommodation
for his office & records
not only in catalog but
also at Headquarters.

G. B.
Regarding
Lentice drawn in
officer

W. B.
The
W. B.

Best