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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

3rd August 1878, No. 1,222.

Read the following paper:—

No. 28. Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 21st June 1878, No. 1,711.

Read the following letter from L. C. PROBYN, Esq., Accountant-General, to C. G. MASTER, Esq., Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, dated Fort St. George, 3rd June 1878, No. 2,726:—

With reference to Proceedings of Government in the Revenue Department, No. 83, dated the 16th January 1878, I have the honor to submit, for the orders of Government, the accompanying copy of letter, No. 223, dated the 27th ultimo, with enclosure, from the Collector of Chingleput, and respectfully to beg that some definite rule may be laid down as to what does or what does not constitute a march entitling an officer to travelling allowance. As has been before explained it has been the practice of this office to allow travelling allowance provided the officer travelled to a greater distance than five miles from head-quarters, and the Board of Revenue clearly contemplated certain cases in which an officer could draw travelling allowance for a journey from and back to his station on the same day, although such a journey can hardly be brought under the category of a "march," for which alone under G.O., No. 83, dated 16th January 1878, extra tentage or mileage is claimable.

From J. F. PRICE, Esq., Acting Collector of the Chingleput District, to L. C. PROBYN, Esq., Accountant-General, Madras, dated Sydapet, 27th May 1878, No. 223.

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Lieutenant Coats' head-quarters are Periakuppam. He rides out on duty six miles and back. He leaves his tents at head-quarters, and the journey does not cost him a sou. He charges Government 6 Rupees for this as a rapid journey on duty.

Question.—Is he entitled for doing this to one day's travelling allowance, mileage or nothing?

4. If it is ruled that he is entitled to travelling allowance, the ruling applies to every officer in the Revenue Department, and morning rides can (although in the case of Mr. Gillon, B.C.S., where in Ouddapah it was held that they could not) be made the grounds provided that they are more than five miles out and back and the object is the performance of some public duty for charging Government with travelling allowance although the officer concerned has not been put to the slightest expense.

5. I hold that this is not just or in accordance with the spirit of the rules. I may be wrong, and I do not wish to deprive others of what they may be legally entitled to. I think it but right therefore to lay before you a case in point and ask your views upon it.

(True Copy.)

(Signed) W. DONALD,
Offg. Dy. Acct.-Genl.

ENCLOSURE No. 1.

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When Mr. Coats went from his head-quarters round a number of villages, more than five miles from head-quarters, during a morning and returned the same day, is he entitled to mileage or not? He cannot, I think, draw tentage for halting, his tents being at head-quarters (Periakuppam). To take an instance, one of his bills shows the following journeys:—

	MILES.	RS.
Periakuppam (Head-quarters) to Toladunavakam and back	12	6
via Keivandur		
Periakuppam (Head-quarters) to Nayapakum and back via	14	7
Vengathur	11	5½
Periakuppam (Head-quarters) to Odikadu and back via Ikadu		
Periakuppam (Head-quarters) to Kannamapet and back via	19	9½
Arumbakum		

Is he entitled to mileage for these journeys, or to halting allowance, or to nothing?

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(True Copy.)

(Signed) J. F. PRICE,
Acting Collector.

REFERRED to the Board of Revenue for consideration.

Ootacamund,
8th June 1878.

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

The Board consider that it would be equitable to rule that when an officer proceeds on duty to a distance of more than five miles from head-quarters and is necessarily absent therefrom for upwards of twelve hours he will be considered to have made a "march" entitling him to draw travelling allowance.

(True Copies and Extract.)

(Signed) J. STURROCK,
Acting Sub-Secretary.

No. 29.

ORDER THEREON, 3rd August 1878, No. 1,222.

Miscellaneous.

For the purposes of the extra tentage or travelling allowance rules a march is a journey involving moving camp or quarters to a distance of more than five miles.

2. The Government do not understand that Lieutenant Coats's claim to halting allowance while at Periakuppam is disallowed.

(True Extract.)

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Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue.
the Accountant-General.
Ed. F. R. Bantleman.

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No. 1,711.

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THE BOARD OF REVENUE.

Dated August 3rd.

Private 7M.

Recd.

G.O. dated August 1878, No. 1,293

AUGUST 1878.

Under the provisions of the Travelling Allowance Rules, a journey involving moving camp or quarters to a distance of more than five miles, and returning next day to the same place, entitles the officer to a day's travelling allowance, which may be charged on the public account.

have distinctly
repudiated this
in the case of
Mr. Gillon.

It was ^{previously} distinctly
stated that

"Travelling allowance
in this Presidency
whether extra
tentage or mileage
is only allowed
where an officer
makes a march."

The Board
recommend
that when an
officer proceeds
on duty more
than five miles
from headquarters

See P.O. of Nov 77
No: 3219 & 10th
Jan'y 78 No 83

1822/2 It is necessarily
absent therefrom
for upwards of
twelve hours "he
may be considered
to have made a
march."

This definition is
clumsy for difficulty
is sure to arise as
to the necessarily
absent & it does
not include distance
from camp. A
ride causes a man
to disburse & will
have been never
drawn money
in such a case.
All our officers
know what a
march is
viz a journey from
one place to another

at which a hall
is made. - Also
definition or
alteration of practice
seems necessary.
It will be seen
that Mr. Price
has no doubt
on the subject but
if any definition is
to be made it
might be that
to entitle to travel:
- being allowance
a march must
be "a journey of more
than five miles, into
camp or involving
the removal of an
officer's camp."

2919 For order
of "march"
definition of
A march is to be
moving camp, or
quarters & distance
of more than 5 miles
I think. unless
special order. Under
shorter move of camp
necessary.
In Mr. Contance's report
in the house of commons
that this is not the
case. It is as if a
man is to go as far as
his duty on a march
exceptional. I think
I think I think

C. 25-7-78
R. 31-7-78

No 223

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Chingleput Dist. Collr's Office
Dated 27 May 1878

From

J. F. Price Esq.
As Collector of the
Chingleput District

To

The Accountant General
Madras

Sir

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though I have, during my service, travelled in this
way

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3. The case put is this.

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cuppim. He rides out on duty 6 miles and back.
He leaves his tent at Head Quarters and the journey
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6 Rupees for this as a rapid journey on duty.

Question. Is he entitled for doing this to one
days Travelling Allowance, mileage or nothing?

4. If it is ruled that he is entitled to Travelling
allowance, the ruling applies to every officer in the
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therefore to lay before you a case in point
and

and ask your views upon it. 1222/9

I have &c.

/Signed/ J. F. Price
Acting Collector

/True Copy/

H. P. Gould
Offg. Depy. Actg. Genl.

James D. R.

11th May 1878,
Tripasone.

No. 442.

From.

The Ag Special Assistant Collector,
Chingleput District.

To

The Ag Collector,
Chingleput District.

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his tents being at head quarters (Periakuppam)

To

Ans^d
24/5/78

To take an instance, one of his bills shows the following journeys.

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via Keivandur - - - - -	12
(Head Quarters.)	
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Have I
(Signed) M. R. Meld.
Asst Asst Collr.

(True Copy)

Frederick Rice

Asst. Secy. Collector

Ed. J. P.

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Famine DEPARTMENT.

No. 2726

Fort Saint George,
Accountant General's Office.

37 June 1878.

FROM THE ACCOUNTANT GENERAL
TO THE GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

TO THE Secretary to Government
Revenue Department

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a journey can hardly be brought under the
Category of a "March" for which alone under
G.O. No. 83 dated 16 January 1878. Extra
Fentage or mileage is claimable.

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your obedient servant
W. H. W. W.
Accountant General.

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Refused
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Refused to the Board
to forward for remark

Refused 1898 Refused

From 24.00
the statement general
checked

to the Secretary
to Government

Refused 3 June 1898
Refused 5 June 21

no. 2726

subject

Refused that some definite
rule may be laid down as
to what constitutes a matter
involving an officer to have
attendance

Refused 1898 20 June 1898

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