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REVENUE DEPARTMENT

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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT.

16th August 1878, No. 1454.

Pensions, Gratuities, &c.

Read the following paper :—

No. 116. *Circular of the Government of India in the Financial Department, dated Simla, 22nd July 1878, No. 1690.*

Pensions, Gratuities, &c.
Code, &c.

The Governor-General in Council desires that the attention of the several Departments of the Government of India and of Local Governments be drawn to the conditions prescribed in the Civil Pension Code for the admission of claims to compensation pension or gratuity. Such pension or gratuity is only granted to an officer discharged from the Public Service when, on a reduction of establishment, his appointment is abolished (Section 50, Civil Pension Code). It is further prescribed in Rule 5 of Section 50 that such abolition must produce a real saving to Government in respect of the cost of the appointment, and that the saving should always exceed the cost of the pension or gratuity to be granted to the incumbent of the abolished appointment.

2. Notwithstanding these clear provisions in the rules, applications are frequently made for the grant of pension or gratuity to officers discharged from the Public Service though the discharge of the officer is not the result of a reduction of establishment. The consequence is that the Governor-General in Council is under the necessity of rejecting such applications, or to refer cases of more than ordinary hardship to the Secretary of State for special consideration.

3. It is not desirable that frequent relaxations of the Rules should be permitted. At the same time it involves serious hardship if officers are thrown out of employment when they have not failed in the discharge of their public duties and are refused all compensation therefor.

4. The Governor-General in Council, therefore, deems it necessary to remind all Departments, Local Governments, and officers concerned that, in any scheme for reorganising an establishment, the claims to pension or gratuity that may arise in consequence of the reorganisation should always be considered before a change is made, and, except in cases of very urgent necessity, no revision of establishment should be carried out which would have the effect of giving rise to claims to compensation pension or gratuity the cost of which cannot be met out of savings effected by the revision. As stated in Rule 5 of Section 50 of the Civil Pension Code, if the saving does not exceed the cost of the pension or gratuity, "it may be better to postpone the reduction of establishment or abolition of appointment."

Ordered that this Resolution be communicated to—

The several Departments of the Government of India.
The several Local Governments and Administrations.
The Comptroller-General.
The several Accountants-General.
The several Deputy Accountants-General in independent charge.
The several Chiefs of Departments under the control of the Financial Department.

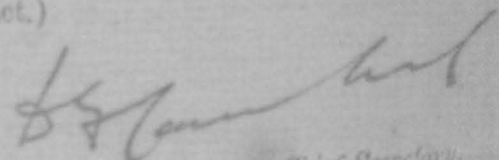
(Signed) E. J. SINKINSON,
Offg. Under Secy. to Govt. of India.

No. 117.

ORDER THEREON, 16th August 1878, No. 1454.

Communicated to the Departments of the Secretariat, the High Court, and Heads of Departments.

(True Extract.)


 Chief Secretary.

To the Revenue Department.
 " the Military Department.
 " the Public Works Department.
 " the Honorable the Judges of the High Court.
 " all Heads of Departments under Chief Secretary.
 " the Pension Department.

Encl. J. W. Fischer.

