

Public Works (1896) Department. 7005

G.O., No. 667 R.

DATED

11 August 1896

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[Despatch Abstract.]

Allowance: Govt of India letter sanctioning the grant of an - of Rs. 100 per mensem to Mr. E. L. Stoney, D. C. Engrs. Madras Railway for certain period during which he draws no acting allowance while acting as <sup>Chief Engr. in charge</sup> at the Presidency and the <sup>adoption of</sup> ~~rule~~ to regulate the allowance to be granted to officers transferred on duty from the Madras Railway for a period of six months or less, Govt to be about 1/2 mensem Madras Ry.

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Government of India letter sanctioning the grant of an — of Rs. 100 per mensem to Mr. E. W. Stoney, District Engineer, Madras Railway, for certain period during which he drew no acting allowance while acting as Chief Engineer at the Presidency and the adoption on certain condition of a rule to regulate the allowance to be granted to officers transferred on duty from the mofussil to Madras for a period of six months or less, communicated to the Agent and Manager, Madras Railway.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

Railway.

Read the following papers:—

From the Agent and Manager, Madras Railway Company, to the Consulting Engineer for Railways, dated Madras, 23rd April 1896, No. 8743/341.

I have the honour to forward herewith an extract—paragraphs 9–11—from my letter to the Secretary, No. 2237, dated the 6th February last, in which the attention of the Board was drawn to the loss sustained by Mr. Stoney, District Engineer, in consequence of his having been required to do duty at Madras without any additional pay for a portion of each year from 1890, during the absence on leave or other duty of the principal officers of the Engineering Department. To remedy this hardship, I submitted, for the approval of my Board, a draft rule (copy enclosed) similar to the one in force on the East Indian Railway, under which an allowance would be drawn by officers of the Engineering Department when transferred on duty from the mofussil to Madras for a period of six months or less. The allowance is proposed to be granted in the case of privilege leave only, as during such leave the officer officiating cannot draw any extra pay under the present leave rules. The period of six months was fixed as a maximum, as it is not probable that an officer will officiate for a longer period than this; and as a rule the officiating period will not be more than of three months' duration.

Last year from May 4th, the Chief Engineer assumed charge of the office of the Agent and Manager for a period of three months during the absence of the latter on privilege leave, and he himself proceeded on privilege leave for two months and sixteen days, on the return to duty of the Agent and Manager, thus rendering it necessary for Mr. Stoney to officiate as Chief Engineer for nearly six months. The Board in paragraph 8 of their letter No. 934, dated the 27th ultimo (extract enclosed) have intimated their approval of the proposed rule, and have also sanctioned the payment to Mr. Stoney of an allowance of Rs. 100 per mensem for the period during which he was on duty at head-quarters, viz., from May 4th to October 24th. In G.O., No. 99 R., Public Works, dated 4th February 1887, an allowance of Rs. 100 per mensem was sanctioned to Mr. West while Acting as Deputy Chief Engineer in addition to the acting allowance admissible under the rules. I beg therefore to request that you will be good enough to communicate to me the sanction of the Government to the incorporation of the rule with the Company's leave rules, and to the payment to Mr. Stoney of the allowance recommended by the Board.

ENCLOSURES.

EXTRACT from a letter to the Secretary, No. 2237, dated 6th February 1896.

9. Allowances to officers acting at head-quarters—Mr. Stoney's case considered.—I beg to submit to the Board a letter received from Mr. Stoney dealing with the losses he has sustained by reason of his having been required to do duty at Madras for a portion of each year from 1890 in consequence of the absence on leave or other duty of the principal officers of the Engineering Department. During the greater portion of the period he was employed at head-quarters, he received

no extra allowances whatever. Mr. Stoney states his case very fully and it is supported by the Chief Engineer in his letter No. C/95 of the 21st January 1896, copy of which is enclosed.

10. In 1886 an application for an allowance was made by Mr. West on exactly the same grounds and in paragraph 8 of letter No. 765, a sum of Rs. 100 per mensem was granted to him in addition to the acting allowances he was entitled to draw under the rules. The application was sanctioned by the Government in G.O. No. 99 R. of the 4th February 1887, and the suggestion was then made that a rule similar to that in force on the East Indian Railway should be adopted to meet such cases. Beyond obtaining a copy of the rule, no further action appears to have been taken in the matter by this office.

11. I now enclose a copy of the rule referred to, which I am informed by the Agent of the East Indian Railway is still in force, and I enclose a copy of the rule I would recommend for adoption on this railway, which it is thought will prevent applications being made for allowances. If the Board approve of the rule I would ask that it may be held to apply to Mr. Stoney also, although his salary is in excess of the limit proposed in the rule. I would further ask that retrospective effect may be given to it in Mr. Stoney's case, as there is no doubt that he has suffered pecuniary loss by his having been called to Madras frequently for duty during the past few years. It is proposed to give the allowance to officers when transferred to head-quarters for temporary duty only and not to officers who are permanently settled in Madras.

EXTRACT from a letter from the Secretary, No. 934, dated 27th March 1896.

8. Extra allowance to Mr. Stoney.—I have submitted to the Board the letter from Mr. Stoney, referred to in paragraph 9 of No. 2237, in which he points out the losses he has sustained during the various periods, aggregating 28 months and 5 days, in which he was required to do duty in Madras, on six different occasions, for a portion of each year from 1890 to 1895 inclusive, having drawn extra allowance only as follows:—for 5 months and 9 days in 1890, Rs. 30 a month; and for 6 months and 25 days in 1892, at Rs. 118, a special allowance sanctioned by the Board, plus Rs. 30 extra tentage; while for the remaining 16 months and 1 day he served on several occasions without any extra allowance whatever.

While admitting that the rules may have borne somewhat hardly in Mr. Stoney's case, the Board are unable to entertain any claim for acting allowance in respect of years in arrears. But, having regard to the fact that had he been acting instead of officiating as Chief Engineer for the 6 months from May to October of last year, he would, under the rules, have received additional pay, the Board, in the circumstances, are pleased, subject to the sanction of Government, to grant Mr. Stoney, for the period last mentioned and as a special case, an allowance of Rs. 100 per mensem, the sum drawn by Mr. West under similar circumstances.

Had action been taken by the then Agent and Manager on the suggestion made in G.O. No. 99 R. of the 4th February 1887, that a rule similar to that in force on the East Indian Railway should be adopted to meet cases similar to the above, this reference to the Board on behalf of Mr. Stoney would have been unnecessary.

The Board, however, are of opinion that any officer who may be transferred from the mofussil to Madras on duty for a limited period, say of six months or less, is fairly entitled to a Presidency allowance, and, subject therefore to the sanction of Government, they authorize the adoption of the rule proposed by you, which gives the following scale:—

| Officers drawing over Rs. 500 and up to Rs. 900 | Per mensem. |
|-------------------------------------------------|-------------|
| Do. Rs. 500 and under                           | RS.         |
| ...                                             | 100         |
| ...                                             | 50          |

PROPOSED rule in respect of allowances to officers called from the mofussil to head-quarters for duty.

An allowance according to the following scale to meet carriage hire and increased house-rent will be granted to officers of the Engineering Department transferred from the mofussil to Madras for a period of six months or less when officiating for an officer absent on privilege leave or on other duty:—

Scale.

| Officers drawing a salary over Rs. 500 and up to Rs. 900 | Per mensem. |
|----------------------------------------------------------|-------------|
| Do. a salary of Rs. 500 and under                        | RS.         |
| ...                                                      | 100         |
| ...                                                      | 50          |

From the Officiating Joint Secretary to the Government of Madras, Public Works Department, Railway Branch, to the Secretary to the Government of India, Public Works Department, dated Ootacamund, the 17th June 1896, No. 535 R.

I am directed to forward herewith, for the orders of the Government of India, copy of a letter No. 8743/341, dated 23rd April 1896, with enclosures, from the Agent and Manager, Madras Railway, requesting sanction (1) to the adoption on the Madras Railway of the accompanying rule (copy attached) regulating the allowance to be granted to officers transferred on duty from the mofussil to Madras for a period of six months or less, and (2) to the grant of an allowance of Rs. 100 per mensem to Mr. E. W. Stoney for the period from the 4th May to the 24th October 1895 during which he officiated as Chief Engineer, Madras Railway.

2. As Mr. Stoney draws pay of Rs. 900 plus a personal allowance of Rs. 182 per mensem, his salary is in excess of the limit proposed in the rule.

3. The Board have sanctioned the payment of the allowance to Mr. Stoney and the adoption of the proposed rule.

4. A similar allowance was granted in Government of India letter No. 52 R.E., dated 22nd January 1887, to Mr. H. C. West, while officiating as Deputy Chief Engineer, Madras Railway.

From the Under Secretary to the Government of India, Public Works Department (General), to the Joint Secretary to the Government of Madras, Public Works Department, Railway Branch, dated Simla, the 27th July 1896, No. 1870 G.

In reply to your letter No. 535 R., dated 17th June 1896, I am directed to communicate the sanction of the Government of India, to the grant of an allowance of Rs. 100 per mensem, to Mr. E. W. Stoney, District Engineer, Madras Railway, for the period from the 4th May to the 24th October 1895, during which he drew no acting allowance while acting as Chief Engineer at the Presidency.

2. The proposed rule to regulate the allowance to be granted to officers transferred on duty from the mofussil to Madras for a period of six months or less, as approved by the Board in paragraph 8 of their letter No. 934, dated 27th March 1896, is also sanctioned on the condition that it is restricted to officers acting in privilege leave vacancies when no acting allowances are drawn.

ORDER—No. 667 R., dated 11th August 1896.  
Communicated to the Agent and Manager, Madras Railway.  
(True Extract.)

Offg. Under Secretary to Government,  
Railway Branch.

To the Agent and Manager, Madras Railway.  
" Examiner, Guaranteed Railway Accounts.

Exd. C. M. Brisson.

Extract from a letter to the Secretary dated 7/6-2-96.

Allowance to  
officers acting at  
Head Quarters  
Mr. Stoney's case  
considered.

9. I beg to submit to the Board a letter received from Mr. Stoney dealing with the losses he has sustained by reason of his having been required to do duty at Madras for a portion of each year from 1890 in consequence of the absence on leave or other duty of the principal officers of the Engineering Department. During the greater portion of the period he was employed at head quarters, he received no extra allowances whatever. Mr. Stoney states his case very fully and it is supported by the Chief Engineer in his letter, No. C/95 of the 21st January 1896, copy of which is enclosed.

10. In 1886 an application for an allowance was made by Mr. West on exactly the same grounds and in para. 8 of letter, No. 765, a sum of Rs. 100 per mensem, was granted to him in addition to the acting allowances he was entitled to draw under the rules. The application was sanctioned by the Government in G. O., No. 99, R. of the 4th February 1887, and the suggestion was then made that a rule similar to that in force on the East Indian Railway should be adopted to meet such cases. Beyond obtaining a copy of the rule, no further action appears to have been taken in the matter by this office.

11. I now enclose a copy of the rule referred to, which I am informed by the Agent of the East Indian Railway is still in force, and I enclose a copy of the rule I would recommend for adoption on this Railway, which it is thought will prevent applications being made for allowances. If the Board approve of the rule I would ask that it may be held to apply to Mr. Stoney also, although his salary is in excess of the limit proposed in the rule. I would further ask that retrospective effect may be given to it in Mr. Stoney's case, as there is no doubt that he has suffered pecuniary loss by his having been called to Madras frequently for duty during the past few years. It is proposed to give the allowance to officers when transferred to head quarters for temporary duty only and not to officers who are permanently settled in Madras.

NO. 2 TO E. R. O. No. 1754 OF 1006  
 LETTER No. 341 OF 23. 4. 96  
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*Extract from a letter from the Secrelat, no 934 of 7-3-96*

Extra allowance to  
 Mr. Stoney.

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Had action been taken by the then Agent and Manager on the suggestion made in G.O. No. 99 R. of the 4th February 1887, that a rule similar to that in force on the East Indian Railway should be adopted to meet cases similar to the above, this reference to the Board on behalf of Mr. Stoney would have been unnecessary.

The Board, however, are of opinion that any officer who may be transferred from the Mofussil to Madras on duty for a limited period, say of six months or less, is fairly entitled to a Presidency allowance, and, subject therefore to the sanction of Government, they authorize the adoption of the Rule proposed by you, which gives the following scale:—

|                                                 | Per mensem. |
|-------------------------------------------------|-------------|
| Officers drawing over Rs. 500 and up to Rs. 900 | Rs. 100     |
| Officers drawing Rs. 500 and under              | Rs. 50      |

(A. & M. V. L.)

Enclosures

No. 3743

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Madras Railway Company,

AGENT & MANAGER'S OFFICE,

RAYAPURAM TERMINUS,

Madras, 23rd April 1896.

From

The Agent and Manager,

Madras Railway Company.

To

The Consulting Engineer for Railways,  
Madras.

Sir,

I have the honour to forward herewith an extract—paras. 9-11—from my letter to the Secretary, No. 2857, dated the 8th February last, in which the attention of the Board was drawn to the loss sustained by Mr. Stoney, District Engineer, in consequence of his having been required to do duty at Madras without any additional pay for a portion of each year from 1890, during the absence on leave or other duty of the principal officers of the Engineering Department. To remedy this hardship, I submitted for the approval of my Board, a draft rule, (copy enclosed), similar to the one in force on the East Indian Railway, under which an allowance would be drawn by officers of the Engineering Department when transferred on duty from the Mofussil to Madras for a period of six months or less. The allowance is proposed to be granted in the case of privilege leave only, as during such leave, the officer officiating cannot draw any extra pay under the present leave rules. The period of six months was fixed as <sup>a maximum, as</sup> it is not probable that an officer will officiate for a longer period than this; and as a rule the officiating period will not be more than of 3 months duration.

Last year from May 4th, the Chief Engineer assumed charge of the office of the Agent and Manager for a period of three months during the absence of the latter on privilege leave, and he himself proceeded for 2 months and 13 days, on the return to duty of the Agent and Manager, thus rendering it necessary for Mr. Stoney to officiate as Chief Engineer for nearly six months. The Board in para. 3 of their letter No. 2854, dated the 27th ultimo (extract enclosed) have intimated their approval of the proposed

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rule, and have also sanctioned the payment to Mr. Stoney of an allowance of Rs.100 per mensem for the period during which he was on duty at Headquarters, viz from May 4th to October 24th. In G.O. No.99-R, Public Works, dated 4th February 1927, an allowance of Rs.100 per mensem was sanctioned to Mr. West, while acting as Deputy Chief Engineer in addition to the acting allowance admissible under the rules. I beg therefore to request that you will be good enough to communicate to me the sanction of the Government to the incorporation of the rule with the Company's leave rules, and to the payment to Mr. Stoney of the allowance recommended by the Board.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient Servant,

Henry C. West

Asst. Agent & Manager.

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B. Form No. 12

*Print*

Proposed rule in respect of allowances to officers called from the Mofussil to Headquarters for duty.

An allowance according to the following scale to meet carriage hire and increased house rent will be granted to officers of the Engineering Department transferred from the Mofussil to Madras for a period of six months or less when officiating for an officer absent on privilege leave or on other duty.

SCALE.

|                                                           |                        |
|-----------------------------------------------------------|------------------------|
| Officers drawing a salary over Rs. 500 and up to Rs. 900. | Per mensem.<br>Rs. 100 |
| Officers drawing a salary Rs. 500 and under. ...          | Rs. 50                 |

( True Copy.)

*Henry Cress*

Ag. Agent & Manager.

*for the period from me  
4th May to the 24th Oct  
1895 during which he  
officiated as Chief Secy  
M. H. ...  
2. As Mr. Stacey drew  
pay of Rs 900 plus a house  
allowance*

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TO F. N. O. No. 2092 OF 1896  
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B. FORM No. 12.

No. 535.R

Government of Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT,  
RAILWAY BRANCH.

To  
THE SECY. TO THE GOVT. OF INDIA,  
P. W. DEPARTMENT.

Simla

Copy Recd 17. June 1896.

SIR,

His Excellency the  
Governor for  
approval

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I am directed to forward herewith for the review of the Govt. of India copy of a letter No. 8743/341 of 23.4.96 with enclosure from the Agent Manager Madras requesting sanction to the adoption on the 1st of the accompanying rule (copy attached) similar regulating the allowances to be granted to officers transferred on duty from the Madras to Madras for a period of six months less & to the grant of an allowance of Rs 100 per month to Mr. E. W. Stacey for the period from the 1st May to the 24th Oct 1895 during which he officiated as Chief Secy. Mr. Stacey drew 2. pay of Rs 900 plus a house allowance

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India letter No 32 R &  
22.1.87 to Mr. H. C. Wash  
while offg as Dy Ch. Secy  
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Document to accompany

1 - Copy of letter from Mr.  
No 8743/3412/23.4.96  
with enclosures

2 - Proposed Rule  
referred to

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Deputation allowance  
of the officers of the  
Madras Railway when  
transferred to Madras  
on duty and Mr. Stoney's  
claim in that connection  
Bf No 535 R dated 17.6.96

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All communications  
should be addressed  
to the Secretary.

No. 1870 G.  
GOVERNMENT OF INDIA.  
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.  
GENERAL.

To  
The Joint Secretary to the Government of Madras,  
Public Works Department, Railway Branch.

Simla, the 27th July 1896.

Sir,

In reply to your letter No. 535 R., dated 17th June 1896, I am directed to communicate the sanction of the Government of India, to the grant of an allowance of Rs. 100 per mensem, to Mr. E. W. Stoney, District Engineer Madras Railway for the period from the 4th May to the 24th October 1896, during which he drew no acting allowance while acting as Chief Engineer at the Presidency.

2. The proposed rule, to regulate the allowance to be granted to officers transferred on duty from the Mofussil to Madras for a period of 6 months or less, as approved by the Board in paragraph 8 of their letter No. 934, dated 27th March 1896, is also sanctioned on the condition that it is restricted to officers ~~as~~ acting in privilege leave vacancies when no acting allowances are drawn.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

E. M. Walker

Under Secy. to the Govt. of India.

Documents accompanying :-

Nil. 10/7/96

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Ans: 3. 8. 96

(R.) Form No. 3.

No 667. Dated 11. 8. 96  
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT,  
RAILWAY BRANCH.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read the following

Letter from the Agent  
& Manager Madras Ry }  
with enclosed <sup>23<sup>rd</sup> April</sup> }  
- do - <sup>16<sup>th</sup> May 1896</sup> }  
Letter to the Govt. }  
India P.W. Deptt: - }  
Letter from - do - 18708 of 27 July 96

Communicated  
to the Agent & Manager  
Madras Railway.

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To the Agent & Manager Madras Ry  
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