

Public Works (1896) Department.

RAILWAY BRANCH.

G.O., No. 816 R

DATED 26th September 1896.

459 R 27 12.7.95

719 R 27 28.10.95

795 R 27 25.11.95

561 R 27 26.6.96.

680 R 27 13.8.96.

General rules of 1895 for working open lines of Railways [Despatch Abstract.]

— Government of India letter regarding the application to the South Indian Railway & the lines worked by it, of the —, Communicated to the agent and the French Government ordered to be addressed in connection with the application of the rules to the Pondicherry Railway and to the Peralam — Karikal Railway when opened for traffic.

BACK PAPERS.

G.O.	No.	Department.	Date.	G.O.	No.	Department.	Date.

FURTHER PAPERS.

G.O.	No.	Department.	Date.	G.O.	No.	Department.	Date.

No. 816 R., 26TH SEPTEMBER 1896.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

Railway.

Read the following papers:—

From—The Joint Secretary to the Govt. of Madras, P.W. Dept., Ry. Branch.
To—The Secretary to the Govt. of India, P.W. Dept.
Dated—Ootacamund, 12th July 1895, No. 459 R.

I am directed to forward, herewith, an application from the Agent, South Indian Railway, for the adoption of the General rules for working open lines of railway on the South Indian Railway and the railways worked in connection therewith by the South Indian Railway Company (Limited).

ENCLOSURE.

From—The Agent, South Indian Ry.
To—The Consulting Engineer for Ry.
Dated—Trichinopoly, 8th June 1895, No. 528.

Referring to Madras G.O., No. 213 R., dated 27th March 1895, and its accompanying circular from the Government of India, No. 6, Railway, dated 12th March 1895, I have the honour to apply, in terms of paragraph 2 of the circular, for sanction to the adoption, by the South Indian Railway and the railways worked in connection therewith by the South Indian Railway Company (Limited) of the General rules specified in the above-mentioned Government order and circular.

G.O., No. 719 R., dated 28th October 1895.

Read the following paper:—

From—The Secretary to the Govt. of India, P.W. Dept.
To—The Joint Secretary to the Govt. of Madras, P.W. Dept., Ry. Branch.
Dated—Simla, 17th September 1895, No. 510 R.T.

With reference to your letter, No. 459 R., dated the 12th July 1895, forwarding an application from the Agent of the South Indian Railway for the adoption, on that railway and the lines worked in connection therewith, of the General rules for working open lines of railway in British India issued with Government of India circular No. 6, Railway, dated the 12th March 1895, I am directed to refer you to Government of India resolution, No. 442 R.T., dated the 15th August 1895, published in the *Gazette of India* of the 24th August 1895, part I, sanctioning the application of the General rules in question to such portion or portions of the South Indian Railway and the lines worked by it as are situate in British territory.

2. As regards the Pondicherry Railway which is also worked by the South Indian Railway, I am to inform you that, as the line is in foreign territory and under French jurisdiction, the Government of India cannot formally notify their sanction to the introduction on that line of the General rules, but the Governor-General in Council has no objection to the rules in question being adopted on the Pondicherry Railway with effect from the 1st January 1896.

Order—No. 719 R., dated 28th October 1895.

Communicated to the Agent, South Indian Railway, for information.

2. Extract paragraph 2 of Government of India letter read above will be forwarded to His Excellency the Governor of the French Settlements in India.

From—H.E. the Governor of Madras.

To—H.E. the Governor of French Settlements in India.

Dated—11th November 1895, No. 324.

I have the honour to forward, for your Excellency's information, the accompanying extract paragraph 2 of letter, No. 510 R.T., dated 17th September 1895, from the Government of India, and to request your Excellency's permission to apply these rules to the railway within the French territory.

From—H.E. the Governor of French Settlements in India.

To—H.E. the Governor of Madras.

Dated—Pondicherry, 19th November 1895, No. 13.

J'ai l'honneur d'accuser réception de la lettre de Votre Excellence en date du 11 de ce mois, No. 324, et de faire connaître que je n'ai aucune objection à présenter contre l'application, au chemin de fer de Pondichéry, des règlements généraux mis en vigueur, à partir du 1^{er} Janvier 1896, sur les centres lignes exploitées par la Compagnie South Indian Railway.

Veillez agréer, l'assurance de la haute considération avec laquelle j'ai l'honneur d'être.

Endorsement by the Private Secretary to H.E. the Governor, dated 20th Nov. 1895.

Transferred to the Joint Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, Railway Branch, for disposal.

From—The Consulting Engineer for Rys.

To—The Agent, South Indian Ry.

Dated—Madras, 23rd November 1895, No. 3746.

With reference to G.O., No. 719 R., dated 28th October 1895, I have the honour to inform you that the French Government has no objection to the application of the General rules for working open lines to the Pondicherry Railway.

From—The Joint Secretary to the Govt. of Madras, P.W. Dept., Ry. Branch.

To—The Secretary to the Govt. of India, P.W. Dept.

Dated—25th November 1895, No. 795 R.

With reference to paragraph 2 of your letter, No. 510 R.T., dated 17th September 1895, I am directed to inform you that the French Government has no objection to the application of the General rules for working open lines to the Pondicherry Railway.

From—The Joint Secretary to the Govt. of Madras, P.W. Dept., Ry. Branch.

To—The Secretary to the Govt. of India, P.W. Dept.

Dated—Ootacamund, 26th June 1896, No. 561 R.

With reference to Government of India circular No. 3, Railway, dated 22nd May 1896, I am directed to forward, herewith, an application (No. 523, dated 17th June 1896), from the Agent, South Indian Railway, for formal sanction to the adoption, with certain exceptions, of the amended General rules of 1895 for working open lines of railway in British India administered by the Government.

ENCLOSURE.

From—The Agent, South Indian Ry.

To—The Consulting Engineer for Rys.

Dated—Trichinopoly, 17th June 1896, No. 523.

With reference to Government of India circular No. 3, Railway, dated 22nd May 1896, I have the honour to apply for formal sanction to the adoption, on the South Indian Railway, and with the exceptions noted below, of the amended General rules therein referred to:—

Rule 233 (2).—Instead of the rule approved for State Railways, the following; "Where gates at level-crossings are not made to close across the line, the gateman if any, must, when such gates are opened for road traffic, be prepared to show a danger signal to any approaching train."

Rule 245.—Instead of the rule approved for State Railways the following; "At every gate where two or more gatemen are employed, the gate must never be left unmanned."

2. These exceptions are asked for on the following grounds:—

Rule 233 (2).—On the South Indian Railway there are a large number of self-closing gates at present unmanned, but at which gatemen would have to be stationed if the Government rule were adopted. There appears no reason why this heavy expenditure on gatemen should be incurred as the present arrangements meet requirements.

Rule 245.—With only one gateman, rule 245 must of necessity be broken, and the adoption of the Government rules would necessitate the employment of at least two men at every gate on the system.

3. With reference to the conversation that occurred at the last meeting of the Rules Committee, the Deputy Consulting Engineer being present. I do not propose to ask for any modifications of rules 78 (a) and 110. I think the addition of the word "danger" before the word "signal" in the last line of rule 78 (a) would be an improvement; for, though rule 79 apparently permits the use of detonators as indicative signals, rule 105 directs that all engines passing over detonators must be stopped as quickly as possible. Rule 110 affects so few trains that, although I consider it unnecessary, I am prepared to adopt it.

From—The Secretary to the Govt. of India, P.W. Dept.

To—The Joint Secretary to the Govt. of Madras, P.W. Dept., Ry. Branch.

Dated—Simla, 21st July 1896, No. 561 R.T.

In reply to your letter, No. 561 R., dated the 26th June 1896, I am directed to point out that, in Government of India letter, No. 709 R.T., dated 28th November 1895, Railway Administrations were asked for suggestions regarding any modifications considered necessary in the General rules, and it is to be regretted that the points now referred were not brought to notice at that time. It may be mentioned that no objection has been raised to rules 233 and 245 by any other railway.

2. With reference to the representation of the South Indian Railway Administration, no opinion is expressed in your letter either by the Government of Madras or the Government Inspector of Railways in regard to the safety or otherwise of unmanned self-closing level-crossing gates as used on the South Indian Railway, but as it is noticed that no accident is reported to have occurred at any of these gates during 1895, it is presumed that they are found suitable.

3. The words "if any" will be added to rule 233 as suggested by the Agent, South Indian Railway, in a notification shortly to be issued correcting some other minor omissions and printer's errors which have been brought to notice. In the meantime the South Indian Railway may, if desired, add a subsidiary rule, to the effect that rule 233 will not apply to gates where no gatemen are posted.

4. Rule 245 refers to the permanent desertion of a gate, and has been so understood by the various railways.

It is obvious that one gate-keeper cannot always be present, and this might be made clear by a subsidiary rule to the effect that, during the temporary unavoidable absence during his hours of duty of a gate-keeper from a gate, where only one man is posted, the gate should be locked.

5. I am, therefore, with this explanation, to enquire from what date the South Indian Railway Administration would be prepared to introduce the rules, as it will take a little time to obtain and distribute the copies.

Endorsement by the Consulting Engineer for Rys., dated 31st July 1896, No. 2334.

Copy forwarded to the Agent for information and reply to paragraph 5 of the letter.

From—The Agent, South Indian Ry.
To—The Consulting Engineer for Rys.
Dated—Trichinopoly, 8th August 1896, No. 710.

In reply to paragraph 5 of Government of India letter No. 561 R.T., dated 21st July 1896, copy received with your endorsement, No. 2334 of the 31st ultimo, I have the honour to state that this Administration will be prepared to introduce the open line rules of 1895 (as modified) on the South Indian Railway and lines worked in connection therewith, on the 15th September 1896.

From—The Joint Secretary to the Govt. of Madras, P.W. Dept., Ry. Branch.
To—The Secretary to the Govt. of India, P.W. Dept.
Dated—Ootacamund, 13th August 1896, No. 680 R.

With reference to paragraph 5 of your letter, No. 561 R.T., dated 21st July 1896, I am directed to inform you that the South Indian Railway Administration will be prepared to introduce the Open line General rules of 1895 (as modified) on the 15th September 1896.

Telegram from—The Secretary to the Govt. of India, P.W. Dept.
To—The Joint Secretary to the Govt. of Madras, P.W. Dept., Ry. Branch.
Dated—Simla, 26th August 1896, No. 677 R.T.

Your letter numbered and dated as follows, 680 R., 13th instant. Understand application to also cover railways worked by South Indian Railway Company. Rules will therefore be applied by resolution to South Indian Railway and Mayavaram-Mutpet Railway, and by executive order to Pondicherry Railway, but from 1st October 1896 to give time for orders being composed in usual way.

Endorsement by the Consulting Engineer for Rys., dated 3rd Sept. 1896, No. 2734.

Copy forwarded to the Agent, with reference to his letter, No. 710, dated 8th August 1896.

Proceedings of the Govt. of India, P.W. Dept., dated Simla, 7th September 1896, No. 696 R.T.

[General Rules of 1895 for working railways open for traffic.]

Read—

Section 47 of the Indian Rys. Act, 1890.
Govt. of India, P.W. Dept., notification No. 118, dated the 21st March 1895, publishing—in the *Gazette of India* of the 23rd March 1895—the Govt. of India circular No. 6, Railway, dated the 12th March 1895, and the General Rules for all open lines of railway in British India administered by the Govt., therewith promulgated.
Govt. of India, P.W. Dept., notification No. 257, dated the 26th May 1896, publishing—in the *Gazette of India* of the 30th May 1896—the Govt. of India circular No. 3, Railway, dated the 22nd May 1896, and the amended rules therewith promulgated.
Letter from the Govt. of Madras, P.W. Dept., Ry. Branch, No. 561 R., dated the 26th June 1896, forwarding letter from the Agent, South Indian Ry., No. 523, dated the 17th June 1896.
Letter from the Govt. of Madras P.W. Dept., Ry. Branch, dated the 13th August 1896, No. 680 R.

Observations.—The Agent, South Indian Railway Company, has applied that the General rules for working open lines of railway in British India, administered by the Government, which have been published under the Government of India, Public Works Department, notification No. 118, dated the 21st March 1895 (*vide the Gazette of India* of the 23rd March 1895), as modified by the Government of India circular No. 3, Railway, dated the 22nd May 1896, published under Public Works Department notification, No. 257, dated the 26th May 1896 (*vide the Gazette of India* of the 30th May 1896) may be made applicable to the South Indian Railway and to the lines worked by it.

Resolution.—The Governor-General in Council is pleased to sanction, with effect from the 1st October 1896, the application to the South Indian and Mayavaram-Mutpet Railways of the General rules for working open lines of railway in British India, administered by the Government, which are cited in the foregoing observations, in supersession of the rules now in force.

Order—Ordered, that this resolution be published under a notification in part I of the *Gazette of India*, as required by section 47, sub-section (3), of the Indian Railways Act, 1890; also that the General rules cited in the foregoing observations—which have already been published in the *Gazette of India*—be kept at railway stations as directed by sub-section (6) of the same section.

Ordered, also, that this resolution be communicated to the Government of Madras, Public Works Department, Railway Branch, for information and guidance.

Endorsement by the Consulting Engineer for Rys., dated 15th Sept. 1896, No. 2914.

Copy forwarded to Agent for information, in continuation of this office endorsement, No. 2734, dated 3rd September 1896.

From—The Secretary to the Govt. of India, P.W. Dept.
To—The Joint Secretary to the Govt. of Madras, P.W. Dept., Ry. Branch.
Dated—Simla, 11th September 1896, No. 708 R.T.

In continuation of Government of India telegram, No. 677 R.T., dated the 28th August 1896, regarding the application to the South Indian Railway and the lines worked by it of the General rules of 1895 for working open lines of railway, as modified by Government of India circular No. 3, Railway, dated the 22nd May 1896, I am directed to refer you to Government of India resolution No. 696 R.T., dated the 7th September 1896, published in the *Gazette of India* of the 12th September 1896, part I, sanctioning the application of the General rules in question to the South Indian and Mayavaram-Mutpet Railways.

2. As regards the Pondicherry Railway, I am to say that, as the line is in French territory and under French jurisdiction, the Government of India cannot formally notify sanction to the introduction on that line of the General rules; but the Governor-General in Council has no objection to the rules in question being adopted on the Pondicherry Railway with effect from the 1st October 1896.

3. I am to add that the rules will be applied to the Karaikkal-Peralam Railway on receipt of the necessary application when the line is about to be opened for traffic.

ORDER—No. 816 R., dated 26th September 1896.

Communicated to the Agent, South Indian Railway, for information in continuation of Government of India No. 696 R.T., dated 7th September 1896.

2. The following letter will be addressed in the Political Department to His Excellency the Governor of the French Settlements in India.

From—H.E. the Governor of Madras.
To—H.E. the Governor of French Settlements in India.
Dated—Pondicherry, 26th September 1896, No. 339.

I have the honour to forward, for your Excellency's information, the accompanying copy of Government of India letter, No. 708 R.T., dated 11th September 1896, and, with reference to paragraphs 2 and 3 thereof, to request your Excellency's consent to apply these rules to the Pondicherry Railway with effect from 1st October 1896, and to the Peralam-Karaikkal Railway when opened for public traffic.

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South Indian Railway Co., Ltd.

AGENT'S OFFICE,

TRICHINOPOLY,

SERIAL

No. 1

1895.

From

THE AGENT,

SOUTH INDIAN RAILWAY,

To

THE CONSULTING ENGINEER

FOR RAILWAYS,

MADRAS.

Sir,

Referring to Madras G. O. No. 213 R. dated 27th March 1895, and its accompanying Circular from the Government of India N^o 6 Railway, dated 1st 12th March 1895, I have the honor to apply, in pursuance of para 2 of the Circular, for sanction to the adoption, by the South Indian Railway, and the Railways worked in connection therewith, by the South Indian Railway Company, Limited, of the general rules specified in the above mentioned Government Order and Circular.

I have the honor to be, Sir,

Your most obedient servant

David Logan
By Agent

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6/17/95

REGISTER
No. 2497
FILE
No.

S.M.

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 modifications made
 which seem to be
 improvement on the
 rule

H.P. 12/6

From
 THE AGENT,
 SOUTH INDIAN RAILWAY,
 Trichinopoly.

To
 THE CONSULTING ENGINEER FOR
 RAILWAYS,
 Madras.

Dated
 Received
 No.
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 Enclosure.

No. 459. R

Government of Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT
 RAILWAY BRANCH.

SERIAL
No. 2

To

THE SECT. TO THE GOVT. OF INDIA,

P. W. DEPARTMENT.

Simla

Copy, the 12th July 1895.

SIR,

I am directed to
 forward herewith an appli-
 cation from the Agent, S. I.
 Railway, for the adoption
 of the General Rules for
 working open lines of railway
 on the South Indian Railway
 and the Railways worked
 in connection therewith
 by the South Indian Ry.
 Coy. Limited.

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Fair despd in P. office
 On 12.7.95

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All communications
should be addressed
to the Secretary.

SERIAL
No. 6

No. 510 R.T.
GOVERNMENT OF INDIA.
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.
Railway Traffic.

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To

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

Sir, the 17th September 1895.

Sir,

With reference to your letter No. 459 R, dated the 12th July 1895, forwarding an application from the Agent of the South Indian railway for the adoption on that railway and the lines worked in connection therewith, of the General Rules for working open lines of railway in British India issued with Government of India Circular No. 6 Railway dated the 12th March 1895, I am directed to refer you to Government of India resolution No. 442 R.T., dated the 15th August 1895 published in the Gazette of India of the 24th August 1895, Part I sanctioning the application of the General Rules in question to such portion or portions of the South Indian railway and the lines worked by it as are situate in British territory.

2. As regards the Pondicherry railway, which is also worked by the South Indian railway, I am to inform you that as the line is in Foreign territory and under French jurisdiction, the Government of India cannot formally notify their sanction to the introduction on that line of the General Rules, but the Governor General in Council has no objection to the rules in question being adopted on the

Pondicherry

B/-
No. 459 R, dated 12.7.95

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Pondicherry railway with effect from the 1st January 1896.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

J. A. Roberts
Under Secretary.

Recd 1-11-95

Documents accompanying:-

Nil.

B.C.

No 719 R. dated 28.10.95

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT,
RAILWAY BRANCH.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

No. 7

Read the following

Letter from the Govt
of India No 1100

No 570 RT d/17.9.95

Communicated
to the Agent S. I. R. for
information.

2. Extract para 2
of Govt of India letter
read above will be
forwarded to H. E. the
Governor of the French
Settlements in India.

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To The Agent S. I. R.
a Political Dept
with draft letter to
H. E. the Governor of the
French Settlements in
India for issue.

To the Chief Secretary
for issue of instructions

Circulate

H. E. The Governor
Hon. Mr. B. S. S.
Hon. Mr. S. S. S.
Hon. The Chief Secretary

No. 321.

Government of Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT,
RAILWAY BRANCH.

To

His Excellency the
Governor of the French
Settlements in India.

October 1895.

Your Excellency,

I have the honor to forward for your Excellency's information the accompanying Extract part 2 of letter NO:510.R.T. dated 17th September 1895 from the Government of India and to request your Excellency's permission to apply these rules to the Railway within the French Territory.

F. M. 14/10
2/12/95

B/-

No 719. P. dated 28.10.95

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SERIAL

No. 8

Letter
Petition from H.E. the Governor of
the French Settlements in India.

DATED 19 November 1895.

Joint
TRANSFERRED to the Chief Secretary to
Public Works Department, Railway Branch
Government for disposal.

(By Order.)

W. W. A. -
Private Secretary.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,
Gwalior.
20 November 1895.

Inform Govt. of India &
S. I. Ry Co that the French
Govt. have no objection to
the application of the rules
to the Pondicherry Ry.

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(1895) DEPARTMENT.

From *C. J. Mac Cartie Esq. J. C. S.*
THE PRIVATE SECRETARY TO THE

RIGHT HONORABLE THE GOVERNOR,

To *Int*
THE SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT,

Public Works DEPARTMENT.

Railway Branch.

Dated 20 } November 1895.
Received }

ENCLOSURE.

Subject.

Letter
TRANSFERS a petition from *M. E. The former*
of French Settlements in India

Recd. 22.11.95

RÉPUBLIQUE FRANÇAISE

GOVERNEMENT

ETABLISSEMENTS FRANÇAIS DANS L'INDE



(11:13)

Pondichéry, le 16 Novembre 1895.

Monsieur Clement Thomas
Gouverneur des Etablissements français dans l'Inde

Son Excellence le Très-Honorable
Lord Wenlock
Gouverneur de la Présidence de Madras
Fort St. Georges

Votre Excellence.

*T. Le a. p. d. p. u. A
R. W. a. p. d. p. u. A
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J'ai l'honneur d'accuser réception de la lettre
de Votre Excellence en date du 11 courant, et de
faire connaître que je n'ai aucune objection à
présenter contre l'application, au Chemin de fer
de Pondichéry, des règlements généraux mis en vigueur
à partir du 1^{er} janvier 1895, sur les autres lignes
exploitées par la Compagnie South Indian Railway.
Veuillez agréer, l'assurance de la haute
considération avec laquelle, j'ai l'honneur d'être,

De Votre Excellence
Le très-obéissant serviteur

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Railway Department.

SERIAL

OFFICE OF THE CONSULTING ENGINEER, RAILWAYS,

Madras, 23^d Nov 1895.

To

The Agent S.R.

No. 3746 Reply No. , dated

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Sir,

With reference to
G.O. No. 719 R of 28th
October 1895, I have the
honor to inform you
that the French Govt.
has no objection to the
application of the General
Rules for working open
lines to the Pondicherry
Railway.

Yrll

Reminders.

Government of Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT
RAILWAY BRANCH.SERIAL
No. 10

To

THE SECT. TO THE GOVT. OF INDIA,

P. W. DEPARTMENT,

Calcutta

25th November 1895.

Sir,

With reference
to para 2 of your letter
No: 570 R.T., dated 17th
September 1895, I am
directed to inform you
that the French Govt.
has no objection to the
application of the General
Rules for working open
lines ~~open~~ to the
Pondicherry Railway.

Documents accd:
- Nil -

Fair despd in Office
on 25. 11. 95

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Depd on 25. 11. 95

Bf-
No. 795. A. dated 25.11.95

to Mr 27/11

No. 523

From

South Indian Railway Co., Ltd.
AGENT'S OFFICE,

TRICHINOPOLY, 17th June 1896

THE AGENT,

SOUTH INDIAN RAILWAY,

To

THE CONSULTING ENGINEER

FOR RAILWAYS,

MADRAS.

Sir,

With reference to Government of India Circular No. 3 Railway dated 22nd May 1896, I have the honor to apply for formal sanction to the adoption on the South Indian Railway and with the exceptions noted below, of the amended General Rules herein referred to:-

Rule 233(2). Instead of the rule approved for State Railways, the following shall apply:-
"level crossings are not made to close across the line, the gateman if any must, when such gates are opened for road traffic, be prepared to show a danger signal to any approaching train."

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Sir

Your most obedient servant
W. L. Mearns
for A. D. G. Shelley, Captain, R.E.,
Agent

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18/6/96

B. Form No. 12

No. 5612

Government of Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

RAILWAY BRANCH. No. 21

To

THE SECY. TO THE GOVT. OF INDIA,

P. W. DEPARTMENT.

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Copy to 26th June 1896.

Sir,

With reference to Govt. of India Circular No. 3 Railway dated 22nd May 1896, I am directed to forward herewith an application (No. 523 of 17th 86) from the Agent S.I. Ry. for formal sanction to the adoption, with certain exceptions, of the amended General Rules of 1895 for working open lines of railway in British India administered by the Govt.

Documents accompanying:
Copy of letter from A 523 of 17/6/86

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From
THE AGENT,
SOUTH INDIAN RAILWAY,
Trichinopoly.
To
THE CONSULTING ENGINEER FOR
RAILWAYS,
Madras.
Dated
Received
No.
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ENCLOSURE.

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SERIAL
No. 22

No. 561 R.T.

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

RAILWAY TRAFFIC.

All communications
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to the Secretary.

To

The Joint Secretary to the

Government of Madras,

Public Works Department,

Railway Branch.

Simla, the 21st July 1896.

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2. With reference to the representation of the South Indian railway administration, no opinion is expressed in your letter either by the Government of Madras or the Government Inspector of railways in regard to the safety or otherwise of unmanned self closing level crossing gates as used on the South Indian railway, but as it is noticed that no accident is reported to have occurred at any of these gates

Bf No 561 R of 26.6.96

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No.

Letter from the Govt. of India
No. 561 R. I. dt 21.7.96

Ans: 28.7.96

No 2334
31.7.96

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information and reply to para
of the letter.

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gates during 1895, it is presumed that they are found
suitable.

3. The words "if any" will be added to rule 233 as
suggested by the Agent, South Indian railway, in a notifi-
cation shortly to be issued correcting some other minor
omissions and printers errors which have been brought
to notice. In the meantime the South Indian railway may,
if desired, add a subsidiary rule, to the effect that rule
233 will not apply to gates where no gatemen are posted.

4. Rule 245 refers to the permanent desertion of a
gate, and has been so understood by the various railways.

It is obvious that one gate-keeper cannot always
be present and this might be made clear by a subsidiary rule
to the effect that, during the temporary unavoidable absence
during his hours of duty of a gate-keeper from a gate,
where only one man is posted, the gate should be locked.

5. I am, therefore, with this explanation, to enquire from
what date the South Indian railway administration would be
prepared to introduce the rules, as it will take a little time
to obtain and distribute the copies.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant.

E. A. Arundel

Offg. Under Secretary.

Documents accompanying:-

Nil.

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Despatched on 31-7-96

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No. 710

South Indian Railway Co., Ltd.

AGENT'S OFFICE.

SERIAL
No. 34

TRICHINOPOLY 8th August 1896.

From

THE AGENT,

SOUTH INDIAN RAILWAY,

To

THE CONSULTING ENGINEER

FOR RAILWAYS,

MADRAS.

Sir,

In reply to para 5 of Government of India letter No. 561 R.T. dated 21st July 1896, copy received with your endorsement No. 2334 of the 31st ultimo, I have the honor to state that this Administration will be prepared to introduce the open line Rules of 1895 (as modified) on the South Indian Railway, and lines worked in connexion therewith, on the 15th September 1896.

I have the honor to be, Sir,

Yours most Obedient Servant

W. Le Mesurier

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Government of Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT
RAILWAY BRANCH.
SERIAL
No. 25

To

THE SECY. TO THE GOVT. OF INDIA,

P. W. DEPARTMENT.

Simla

Copy, the 13th August 1896

SIR,

With reference to
para 5 of your letter No:
561 R.T. of 21st July 1896,
I am directed to inform
you that the South
Indian Railway adminis-
tration will be prepared
to introduce the Gen-
eral Rules 77895
(as modified) on the
15th September 1896.

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Documents accompanying:-

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From

THE AGENT,

SOUTH INDIAN RAILWAY.

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To

THE CONSULTING ENGINEER FOR

RAILWAYS,

Madras.

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Public Works (1896) Department

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letter no 710 of 8/8/96.

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From

Works
Simla

Telegram No. 677 R.T.

Dated 28.8.96.

Received 29.9.96

Enclosures .

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SUBJECT.

General Rules

Telegram from
India re: the intro-
duction of the — on
the S. Indian, M. M. &
Pondicherry Rys.

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No 680 Dated 13.8.96

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for information, in
continuation of this office
order no. 2734 of 3.9.96.

From
The Govt. of India

No. 696 R.T.

Dated 7-9-96

Received 14-9-96

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SUBJECT.

Open line General Rules
of 1895.

Sanctioning the
application, to the S.G.
& M.M. Ryds with effect
from the 1st Octr 1896,
of the —

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To A
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Simla, the 7th September 1896.

READ—

OBSERVATIONS.—The Agent, South Indian Railway Company, has applied that the General Rules for working open lines of railway in British India, administered by the Government, which have been published under the Government of India, Public Works Department, notification No. 118, dated the 21st March 1895 (*vide the Gazette of India* of the 23rd March 1895), as modified by the Government of India circular No. 3 Railway, dated the 22nd May 1896, published under Public Works Department notification No. 257, dated the 28th May 1896 (*vide the Gazette of India* of the 30th May 1896), may be made applicable to the South Indian railway and to the lines worked by it.

RESOLUTION.—The Governor General in Council is pleased to sanction, with effect from the 1st October 1896 the application to the South Indian and Mayavaram-Mutupet railways of the General Rules for working open lines of railway in British India, administered by the Government, which are cited in the foregoing observations, in supersession of the rules now in force.

ORDER—Ordered, that this resolution be published under a notification in Part I of the *Gazette of India*, as required by section 47, sub-section (3) of the Indian Railways Act, 1890; also that the General Rules cited in the foregoing observations—which have already been published in the *Gazette of India*—be kept at railway stations as directed by sub-section (6) of the same section.

Ordered also that this resolution be communicated to the Government of Madras, Public Works Department, Railway Branch, for information and guidance.

By order,

E. A. Anderson

Offg. Under Secretary.

Documents accompanying
Nil.

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

Public Works (1896) Department.

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Communicated
 to the Agent S. I. Railway
 for information in con-
 tinuation of Govt. of India
 No. 696 R.T. of 7 September
 1896.

From The Govt of India

No. 708 R.I.

Dated 18th Sept 96

Received 18th Sept 96

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2. The following letter will
 be addressed in the Political
 Department to H.E. the
 Governor of the United States
 in India.

SUBJECT.

General Rules of 1895 for
 working open lines of railway

Regarding the application
 to the S.I. Ry & the lines
 worked by it of the
 as modified by Circular
 No. 3 of 22nd May 1896.

The Agent S. I. Ry
 Political Dept.

To the Agent S. I. Ry
 for Govt of India

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GOVERNMENT OF INDIA.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

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To

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

Simla, the 11th September 1896.

Sir,

In continuation of Government of India telegram No. 677 R.T., dated the 28th August 1896, regarding the application to the South Indian railway and the lines worked by it of the General Rules of 1895 for working open lines of railway, as modified by Government of India Circular No. 3 Railway dated the 22nd May 1896, I am directed to refer you to Government of India Resolution No. 696 R.T., dated the 7th September 1896, published in the Gazette of India of the 12th September, 1896 Part I, sanctioning the application of the General Rules in question to the South Indian and Mayavaram Mutupet railways.

2. As regards the Pondicherry railway, I am to say that as the line is in French territory and under French jurisdiction, the Government of India cannot formally notify sanction to the introduction on that line of the General Rules, but the Governor General in Council has no objection to the rules in question being adopted on the Pondicherry railway with effect from the 1st October 1896.

3. I am to add that the Rules will be applied to the
Kerikal Peraleem railway on receipt of the necessary
application

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application when the line is about to be opened for traffic.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

G. A. Anderson

Offg. Under Secretary.

Documents accompanying:-

Nil.

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Very urgent

R. No. 339 of 28.9.96

To
H.E. the Governor of
the French Settlements
in India
Pondicherry

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H.E. the Governor

Your Excellency

I have the
honour to forward for
your Excellency's informa-
tion the accompanying
copy of Govt. of India
letter No. 708 R.T. of 11th
September 1896, and with
reference to paras 2 and
3 thereof, to request your
Excellency's (consent H.E.)
(permission)
to apply the rules to
the Pondicherry Railway
with effect from 1st October 1896
to the Perambur Karaikal
Railway when opened
public traffic. -

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Consent?
CS PM

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