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To Secretary
AITUC

Reg. No. 18/62

Dated 17- 964

Sub: - Representation submitted to the Labo-
r Commission by the Mainland recruited
Carpenters and Masons. Copy forwarding of.

I am here with forwarding the above
mentioned petition submitted by the Mainland
recruited Carpenters and Mason of Andaman
P.W.D. They have submitted a number of representation
for their regarding their grievances, even though
any favourable action has not taken from
Andaman Administration or L.C. Once again
they remainding. It is for your information
and necessary action at your end please.
Thanking you.

For Karim

Secretary,
(A. S. N. V. M. S)

No. 3/64
14/1/64

To

The Labour Commissioner.,
Andaman and Nicobar Islands.,
Port Blair.

Sub:- Grant of House Rent and Upgrading.

Submitted by : The Carpenters of APND.

Sir,

We most humbly and respectfully beg to bring the following facts for your immediate consideration and orders as may be deemed fit and necessary.

All of us are mainland recruits brought over to Andamans to work in the APND, and one of the principal conditions in the recruitment rules itself was that we will be given rent free accommodation. Although we arrived here on 1.11. 1960 and 38 months have passed by, not a word has been given about this accommodation grant. Moreover there has been a specific Order from the Government of India, Ministry of Home Affairs dated 30th May 1962, which is produced here for your perusal:

" House rent and other benefits for Government Employees of Andaman and Nicobar Islands dated May 30th, 1962.

(i) // Compensatory allowance at 7 1/2% of Local recruits who are not in receipt of Andaman special pay with Marginal adjustment up to Rs. 556.42 nP.

(ii) // House rent allowance in lieu of free accommodation at the following rates:-

Pay up to Rs. 75/-	Rs 7.50 nP
75 to 100	10.00 "
100 to 200	10.00
above 200	7 1/2%

The department has granted the compensatory allowance although the rent also was ordered in the same order, which is indeed an anomaly, and which has not been adhered to since the past one and half years.

Hence it is humbly requested that this part of the order also be given effect to immediately.

We are all recruited on fixed scale pay ~~maintain~~ but has been confirmed by taking us all on Master roll and taken on work charged lists only from August 1962. Towards this also we are bringing to your kind notice another Government of India order issued on 15.5.1962 to the following effect:- The same was published in the daily Telegrams of the 17th May 1962 in Port Blair.

1. An increase of Rs 5/- per month in the wages of contract labour in all Departments. This increase will be admissible to casual and seasonal labourers and also those who are getting the same wages as contract Labourers.
2. Revised scales of Pay for all categories of work-charged Establishments in the APND.
3. Master roll employees of the APND paid regular scales of pay on monthly rates to be treated as work-charged establishment from the dates they were paid in Regular scales on monthly basis. Such employees will get the benefits of the Pay Commissions Recommendations from July 1st, 1959.

We interviewed the Principal Engineer and put our claims as per the Home affairs letter B-27-88/61 AN/ dated New Delhi, 13th June, 1962 and although the Principal Engineer promised that he will take prompt and immediate action on this one and half years have gone by and not a word on this has yet come out or effected or paid.

So after waiting a pretty long time for the initiative to come departmentally, we were forced to represent all the grievances to your goodself and we have not been given a reply so far since 17.12. 1963. Before this we have at various times submitted no less than 18 applications to the Deputy Commissioner, The Chief Commissioner, The Principal Engineer, and Executive Engineer, all in vain with no proper or valid replies and many with no replies at all.

Further again we are all skilled Carpenters and specially selected and recruited on the Scale pay of 40.2.60. This is the lowest of the 1st grade although we have all passed the specific Technical courses and have ample experiences also and picked for for working in Andamans, and not any courtesy recruitment. This matter also was represented to the Executive Engineer, C.D. II., AP D on 12.1.1961 after about two months of our arrival here, when also a period of 6 months was ordered for doing the acid tests of ability and efficiency to confirm on Carpenter Grade. But regrettably three full years have gone by and no Carpenter Grade as yet, although many important and grand buildings have been completed by our hands and skill. The tourist House at Phoenix Bay is one such for an example.

Hence we humbly request that this Assistant Carpenter name be abolished and we all be taken as "Carpenters" to give further pep and encouragement for the workers as we need not be classified as Assistant Carpenters, when all of us are full fledged Carpenters, self contained and experienced and have undergone all hurdles of test and efficiency. Orders may kindly be passed to this effect also without any delay.

In conclusion we summarise our grievances as follows:-

1. That we be given free accommodation or equivalent house rent allowance.
2. Enhanced pay according to the Government of India recommendation be granted to us with retrospective effect.
3. All of us be graded as Carpenters and not as assistants.

And shall pray.

Port Blair,,

Dated: 13 January, 1964

Humbly submitted by the
Carpenters & Masons of
Construction Division No II
AP D, Port Blair

Copies to:-

1. The Union Minister, (Government of India, New Delhi, Labour & Employment)
2. The Secretary, A.I.T.U.C. Branch., Andamans.
3. The Executive Engineer., C.D. II., AP D, Port Blair.

K. N. Karunakran *Karun*
P. K. Hydrose *Hydrose*

Copy forwarded to
A. T. T. C. Secretary
for na. *Karun*

For Secretary,
(A. S. N. V. M. S)

10D/09/3/60

District Employment Exch
Trichur, Dated 30.6.60.

M E M O

There are 100 vacancies for carpenters and 10 vacancies for Masons under the Government of India for work in the Andaman and Nicobar Islands.

1. The Terms and conditions of services are given below:-
Pay scales are 40-2-60 plus (a) 33 1/3, their basic pay, if employed in the regions of South Andamans
(b) 40% of the basic pay if employed in the Middle And North Andamans.

(c) 45 % of basic pay if employed in the Nicobar Group of Islands.

Over and above the special pay the Carpenters and Masons are entitled for the normal dearness allowances. They will be partly employed in Middle Andamans and partly in the group of Islands.

2. Free medical attention and accommodation will be arranged by the Department.

3. Free Deck passages without food will be provided ways. Candidates will have to make their own arrangements for journey up to Madras and for their food and their things during their voyage from Madras to Andamans.

4. The selected candidates would be required to get themselves vaccinated for Small Pox and Innoculated for cholera to satisfy the Government for health regulations, and under these regulations passage tickets will not be issued to passengers unless they produce from a medical officer valid cholera Innoculation certificate not less than 7 days and not more than 6 months old, and small pox vaccination certificate not more than 3 years old at the time of embarkation.

5. The certificates should be on International Forms.

6. Service will be reckoned from the date of embarkation.

7. Minimum stay period in Port Blair shall be Two years failing which the candidate will not be entitled to free return passage, Tickets.

8. The selected candidates should produce, physical Fitness Certificate before joining the appointment.

Appointment will be after an interview at Kozhikode, at candidate's own expense on 11.9.1960. If you desire to be considered for the vacancies please report here at your expense before 10.9.1960.

Sd/-

District Employment Officer.

Trichur,
Dated 10.9.1960.