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Kenya

No. 15613

SUBJECT

C0533/386

J.K. Mulla

Application for grant of title in respect of
the land situated in the land

Previous

Successor

Successor

J.M.Mehta. 3rd. April 29.

States has not received a reply to his previous communication.

RECORDED UNDER STATUTE

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concern to BHC 44 (Eq. Eastwood)
ref 2 20.4.29

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To Mehta dated 2 MAY 1929

UNDER STATUTE

To H. C. Transf. SS of 24 7 MAY 1929
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To High Commissioner 22 28 April 29
in reply letter to H. C. Mehta, regretting
cannot be agreed to business of materials

to Allen

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J. K. Mehta

17 April 1929

Wishes further representations to be followed
promptly.

Mr. Allen

There is nothing in this to justify
recomm

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I. has nothing to add to the rep
which has been made & done for
himself High Co. for Transport.

27/5/29

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J. K. Mehta

4/6/29

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unable to agree to payment of gratuity

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J. K. Mehta 17 April 1929
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Mr. Allen

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[N.B. The Provident Fund balance, including the Government bonus, was of course given]

S. C. S. 8/6/29

G. S. 6/29
at home

To Mr. Mehta (7 ans) 17 JUN 1929
RECORDED UNDER 61025
9 To H. C. 73-6 Ans^d - 19 JUN 1929
(S. C. 7 & S.)

Room 29
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G. S. S. 6/19
at 10.15

To Mr. K. (19/10/29) 17 JUN 1929
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To H. C. (19/10/29) - 18 JUN 1929
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Room 29
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Mrs. W. J. Allen
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Office of the High Commissioner for Transport,
Government House,
Nairobi,
Kenya.

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COL. OFFICE

20 February 1930

My Lord,

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(Ref in 16106/30)

2. Copies of these regulations will be forwarded to Your Lordship as soon as they have appeared in the Official Gazette.

I have the honour to be,

My Lord,

Your Lordship's most obedient, humble

servant,

Edward Gigg

HIGH COMMISSIONER.

THE RIGHT HONOURABLE
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X. 15613/29. Kenya

- Mr. Hamilton Smith 10/6
- Mr. Parkington 10/6
- Mr.
- Mr. Bunsby
- Sir E. Harding
- Sir J. Shackbough
- Sir G. Grenville
- Sir C. Dainton
- Sir S. Wilson
- Mr. Ormsby-Gore
- Lord Lovat
- Mr. Amery

Amery
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19 June 1929

With ref. to your dept.

(No. 6)

No. 55 of the 28 April I have

etc. to transmit to you the

accompanying copies of a letter

dated the 17 April which has been

received from Mr. J. K. Mehta and

of my reply thereto
sent to him.

2. I would ask you to

consider ~~whether~~ whether the
regulations might not be amended

so that, in the future, a
fraternal in case of death might

be given for better service than

DRAFT.

Transport
Kenya - Uganda

The following Commission for Transport

K. O. R.

From Mr. Mehta 17/4/29
(No. 7)
To Mr. Mehta 17/6/29
(dys. forwarded)

(2) It will be seen that
Mr. Mehta has been
info. that I am unable
to intervene in the
matter. But I should be
pleas if you would

2/1/29

From,

J. K. Mehta.
Arjumlal's Street,
No. 920, Khadia,
Ahmedabad.
India.



17th April. 1929.

To,

The Secretary of State for the Colonies,
London.

Respected Sir,

I, the undersigned, most humbly
and respectfully beg to lay the following few
lines for your kind consideration.

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From,

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I have written in my letter that I had written letters to the General Manager by giving reference of his letter no. S. 781. dated 12-3-1923, for my father's gratuity, but he had given reply similar to this reply therefore I have written to you. The High Commissioner says that my father was not entitled for gratuity. This kind of reply is not fit for His Lordship, because the death is in the hands of god, and my father died in his active service to the Railway.

My father had served the Railway faithfully in the great War, and he was called by the Railway, from India as a Station Master in the beginning of the great War. your Lordship can know, from the record, the duty performed by him faithfully from the

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my father's gratuity I shall feel obliged
and grateful to you and will pray to God
for your Lordship's and for Government's
long life and long Rule.

Hoping to be excused for the trouble
and anxiously awaiting an early and
favourable reply.

I beg to remain,

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your most obedient Servant,

Jayprasad. H. Mehta.

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your most obedient Servant,

Jayprasad. H. Mehta.

W/S.A.

17th April 1929.

Sir,

Your letter of the 1st of February 1929 addressed to the Secretary of State for the Colonies has been forwarded to the High Commissioner for his consideration.

I am desired by His Excellency to inform you that he regrets that he is unable to agree to the payment of a proportionate gratuity on account of your father's services with the Kenya and Uganda Railway as the total length of his service did not entitle him to a gratuity under the existing regulations.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

Edy A. Walter

AG: SECRETARY TO HIGH COMMISSIONER.

MR. J. E. WARRA,
ARABIAN'S BUREAU,
No. 200, BRADIA,
ADDISABABA,
I. E. S. A.

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7/6/24.

27th April 1929.

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AD: SECRETARY TO HIGH COMMISSIONER.

MR. J. K. MURTA,
ARABIA STREET,
NO. 100, NAIROBI,
KENYA,
E. A. S.

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R. Kenya

From,

Jayprasad K. Mehta
Najmal's Street,
No. 920, Khadia,
Ahmedabad.

16 FEB 1929
COL. OFFICE

(India) Df 1-2-1929.

To,

The Secretary of State for the Colonies,
London.

Sir,

I, the undersigned, most humbly and respectfully beg to lay the following few lines for your kind consideration.

1. My Father, Kishorlal Purshottam Mehta was Station Master in Uganda Government Railway in Kenya Colony from 1914 to 1923. He died of Cerebral Malaria in British Military Hospital at Cairo on the 8th March 1923. My Mother my younger Brother and I were at Cairo with my Father at the time of his death. I wrote to the general Manager, after my Father's death, to give me his gratuity of 9 years which was due to him. My Father had honestly served the Railway during the great War and up-to the end of his life, and his death had occurred in his active service to the Uganda Government Railway.

2. The General Manager wrote to me a letter of condolence and in it he had written, "The question of proportionate gratuity is still under consideration

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and if sanctioned by the Secretary of State for the Colonies, the Agent in India will be instructed to pay the proportionate money over to you."

The General Manager has still not given me my Father's gratuity and writes to me "your Father has not completed his 15 years of services to the Railway." My Father had not given his resignation to the Railway, and did not come to serve the Railway for 15 years but in his active service to the Railway he died and had been the treasurer of the Railway. I have sent a copy of the Government letter.

I beg to request you that you will be good enough to write to the High Commissioner at Bombay and my Mother's health is not good and my father left me in poor and miserable condition through illness and therefore I beg of you to give me my Father's gratuity of 1000 rupees due to him. If you would kindly give me my Father's gratuity I shall be obliged and grateful to you and to the Government. My Mother and I will pray God for your Lordship's and for Government's Long Life and Long Rule.

Hoping to be excused for the trouble and anxiously awaiting an early reply,

I beg to remain,
your most obedient servant,
Shrota.

Copy.

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END

Uganda Railway

No. S. 781. Direction Department.

Nairobi.

Date. 12-3-1923.

To,

Babu Jayprasad K.

c/o Babu Popatlal. B. Dave.

Signaller-in-Charge

Nairobi Station.

Dear Sir,

I very much regret to learn of the death of your father and beg to extend to you and the family my sincere sympathy in your sad bereavement.

2. Passages to India for yourself and family will be arranged.

3. The question of proportionate gratuity is still under consideration and if sanctioned by the Secretary of State for the Colonies, the Agents in India will be instructed to pay the proportionate money over to you. you should inform them of your Indian address.

yours faithfully,

(Sd.) M. Hardy.

General Manager
Uganda Railway.