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READ—the following paper :—

Letter—from the Hon'ble Mr. A. G. BOURNE, D.Sc., F.R.S., C.I.E., Director of Public Instruction.
To—the Secretary to Government, Educational Department.
Dated—Madras, the 6th April 1909.
No.—Ref. on Cur. 4570/08.

The question of recognizing the Sembadavans (a Tamil-speaking fishermen caste) in the Salem district as a backward class and including them in the list in rule 15 of the Grant-in-Aid Code having come before me, I asked the inspecting officers to report the names under which the several classes of fishermen were known in the different districts and the localities in which their condition was such as to justify their inclusion in the list of backward classes. From their reports I find that fishermen are known by various names in different districts and that their educational condition is generally backward. Some of the castes mentioned by the inspecting officers are already included in the list in rule 15 and the inspecting officers recommend that the names of the other castes not so included but who are no less backward may also be added to it. This list, however, has already overgrown, and it is undesirable to make any more addition to it. To meet the requirements, however, I beg to suggest that in the list in rule 15 for the words "Pattanavars (fishermen)" be substituted "Pattanavars (and other fishermen castes)."

Order—No. 252, Educational, dated 29th April 1909.

The Government accept the Director's proposal that the words "Pattanavars (and other fishermen castes)" may be substituted for the words "Pattanavars (fishermen)" appearing in the list of backward classes or castes given in rule 15 of the Grant-in-Aid Code. The following notification will be published in the *Fort St. George Gazette* :—

Notification.

In the list of backward classes or castes given in rule 15 of the Grant-in-Aid Code, for the words "Pattanavars (fishermen)" shall be substituted the words "Pattanavars (and other fishermen castes)."

(True Extract.)

A. BUTTERWORTH,
Ag. Secretary to Government.

To the Director of Public Instruction,
Gazette.

EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT.

NOTES CONNECTED WITH G.O., No. 252, EDUCATIONAL,
DATED 29TH APRIL 1909.

[SUBJECT.—*Recognition of fishermen generally as a backward class.*]

Previous papers.

G.O., No.	368	Educational,	dated 12th June	1907.
" "	787	"	" 23rd November	"
" "	629	"	" 3rd September	1908.
" "	640	"	" 7th	"

From the Director of Public Instruction, dated 6th April 1909, No. 4570.

The Director of Public Instruction (Dr. Bourne) states that the educational condition of fishermen is generally backward and that they are known by various names in different districts. Some of these fishermen castes such as "Pattanavars", "Puslars", "Kadayans" and "Valaiyans" are already included in the list of backward classes or castes given in rule 15 of the Grant-in-Aid Code, but others are not.

2. The Director considers that the fishermen castes which are not included in the list may now be included in it as they are not less backward than those who are so included. He, however, observes that the list is already overgrown and that it is undesirable to make any more addition to it. But in order to meet the requirements in this case, the Director of Public Instruction suggests that for the words "Pattanavars (fishermen)" in the list of backward classes be substituted the words "Pattanavars and other fishermen castes."

3. It is for consideration whether the Director of Public Instruction's suggestion may be accepted.

4. If the Director's suggestion is accepted, the names of all other fishermen castes except "Pattanavars" may be omitted from the list; but this is not absolutely necessary. Perhaps it would be enough for the present to carry out the alteration suggested by the Director.

C.S.—21-4-09.

T. KANAKASUNDARAM PILLAI—23-4-09.

The Director of Public Instruction's proposal may be approved.

C. A. SOUTER—23-4-09.

The proposal may be approved.

A. BUTTERWORTH—24-4-09.

G. S. F[ORBES]—24-4-09.

Draft please.

A. BUTTERWORTH—27-4-09.

The draft order is submitted for approval.

P.R.—27-4-09.

K. RANGASWAMI AIYANGAR—27-4-09.

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C. A. SOUTER—28-4-09.

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