

Educational (1910) Department.

ORDINARY MS.

G.O., No. 135-

DATED 17-3-10

[Despatch Abstract.]

Legislative question Recording
papers relating to the question asked
at the meeting of the Legislative
Council held on the 12th March 1910
regarding the relaxation of ~~general~~
general education ^{qualification} of Hospital
Assistant pupils.

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Educational Department.

The Hon'ble Mr. KAMESWARA RAO NAYUDU :—

XXVI. In view of the excessive failures in the Matriculation examination of last year and in the previous successive years and in view of the paucity of trained Medical private practitioners in the mufassal, will the Government be pleased to declare that such of the candidates as failed in the Matriculation examination to be eligible for studying in the Medical College for Hospital Assistant's grade.

[Meeting of the 12th March 1910.]

(Hospital Assistants are now known as Sub. Asst Surgeons - vide G.O. No. 307 Pub. O. 13-4-10)

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~~mm~~ Candidates for admission to the Hospital Assistants class are required to have passed the compulsory portion of the Upper Secondary Examination or the Matriculation Examination of the Madras University. Vide Rules 4, 35, 44, 70, 71 and 74 of the rules approved in G.O. No. 721, Educational dated 30th October 1907.

2. In 1907, the Surgeon General proposed, in order to increase the attendance at the Vizagapatam Medical School, that the educational qualification prescribed for the Native Military, Local and Municipal, Madras-Burma, private and female medical pupils be relaxed and that candidates who had passed the English language and Elementary Physical Science with the History and Geography divisions of the Matriculation Examination be accepted as qualified for admission to the Hospital Assistants class. Vide para. 2 (11) of the Surgeon General's letter on page 2 of G.O. No. 13, Educational, dated the 8th January 1908. But the Government did not consider it desirable to lower the educational qualification of the candidates for the Hospital Assistants class as proposed by the Surgeon General. Vide G.O. No. 13, Educational, dated 8th January 1908. Attention is solicited to the Secretary's remarks dated 17th December 1907 which were concurred in

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by the Hon'ble Member, on page 10 of the notes with that G.O. from which it will be seen that the Government considered a general relaxation of the rules in regard to these students undesirable.

Please see ^{also} the Hon'ble Mr. Forbes's remarks on page 3 of G.O.No.641, Educational, dated 26th September 1907, where he observed, in connection with the admission of a female non-matriculate into the Hospital Assistant's class, as follows:—
 "Apart from other reasons it is a drag
 "on our pupils in the class to have an
 "insufficiently educated student."

3. In view of the above decision of Government, the reply to question XXVI may it is submitted be—

"The Government are not prepared
 "to adopt the suggestion made by the
 "Hon'ble Member."

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I do not think that is ~~an~~ the right answer. The fact is that Matriculation is not insisted on in the less popular Hospital test classes — rule 5 (military class); ~~as the same rule is applied in~~ I cannot find similar rule for Burma class; but the practice of exempting from matriculation for Burma also is evidenced by the figures on p.10. G.O. 13 Rd 1 d-8.1.08. The S.G. may be asked for remarks on the question and for information how many

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of the candidates admitted last year were non-matriculaters. It could then be pointed out to the Hon^{ble} Member that candidates who failed for Matriculation last year will probably be able to compete for admittance to the Military or Burma Hospital 1st class.

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Will the Surgeon General kindly furnish the following statistics of pupils for the years '07, '08 & '09 for previous years they are already available.

1. No. of vacancies {
 - a Civil Medical pupil
 - b Native Military "
 - c Burma.

2. Candidates - a. b. & c. as above.

Matriculaters
Non Matriculaters
 (for each class a. b. & c.)

and also state whether he anticipates any difficulty in obtaining candidates ^{hereafter} owing to the large percentage (about 90%) of failures at the last Matric exam.

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Office of the Surgeon-General
 with the Government of Madras.

The following information is furnished:-

Year	No. of Candidates			No. of Vacancies	No. Posted	No. joined	Native	Non Native	Remarks.
	F.A	Matric	non-Matric						
I MADRAS CIVIL MEDICAL									
1907		50		10	10	8	8		
1908		48		40	40	35	35		
1909		52		40	40	35	35		
II MADRAS BURMA									
1907	1	14		12	12	6	6		
1908		16		12	12	9	9		
1909		5	65	12	12	11	2	9	
III NATIVE MILITARY									
1907		1	48	14	14	11	1	10	
1908		2	131	10	10	8	1	7	
1909		6		6	6	2		2	The matriculated Candidates first posted not having joined 2 Non matriculates were ultimately posted

It will be seen that there has been no dearth of Matriculated candidates for the Madras Civil Medical pupil grade. It is true that the number who joined the class is less than the number posted but this is due to the fact that all the candidates posted did not join and as classes had already begun it was too late to post substitutes. As regards the other grades we have had to throw open the competitive examination with the approval of Government to non matriculates whenever candidates were not sufficient, and this course will be followed in the future and I do not consider it necessary to relax the rule before we advertise for candidates and ascertain the number of applicants. I cannot say whether the number of matriculated

matriculated candidates for the Madras Civil Medical pupil grade will fall short of the demand this year but if it does, we shall have to resort to the same expedient as we have been driven to do in the case of the other grades.

2. It is scarcely necessary for me to say that a general lowering of the standard required produces a deterioration in the class of candidates recruited for the Schools and should not be sanctioned unless it is absolutely necessary.

J.B.B.

Feb. 1. 8. 10

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2.3.10. The Govt of India have recently sanctioned a considerable increase in the maximum pay of the grades of hospital assistants and this Govt propose to raise the pay - which should have the effect of making the service much more popular. Please get these papers from Public dep't & see if they have been put on S.T.

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Please see the papers with Gp. No. 57 Public dated 19th January 1910 on the subject of the proposal to increase the pay of the Grades of hospital



Remarks

Year	No of Candidates	No of Vacancies	No of Excess	No of Deficiency
1909	10	0	0	0
1908	0	0	0	0
1907	0	0	0	0
1906	11	11	0	0
1905	11	11	0	0
1904	11	11	0	0
1903	11	11	0	0
1902	11	11	0	0
1901	11	11	0	0
1900	11	11	0	0

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Hospital assistants. The Govt. of India have been addressed on the subject, but their sanction has not yet been obtained. The order of January 1910, has not been placed on E.T.

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The answer may perhaps be that the Govt see no reason to lower the standard of general educational qualification required for admission to their medical schools and do not apprehend that there will be any failure of candidates with the prescribed qualification so far as regards the classes which lead to appointments in their service; the qualification is ~~however~~ dispensed with from time to time, when occasion requires it, in the case of Native - Military and Madras - Burma pupils.

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The answer suggested J.M.S. 49 may I submit be approved.

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