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[Despatch Abstract.]

Scholarship

Informing R. Pannan Raju of Nellore that the Government regret that they cannot sanction a special — on behalf of his son R. Krishna Rao to enable him to prosecute his studies at the Victoria Jubilee Technical Institute, Bombay.

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His Excellency the Right Hon'ble Governor of
Madras. Madras.

The most humble memorial of Ramachandruni Pannam
reju inhabitant of Athithota Agreharam Nellore Town ---
father and guardian of R. Kristnaswami Rao a student ~~of~~
studying for Electrical Engineering in the Victoria Ju-
bilee Technical Institute, Byculla Bombay,

May it please your Excellency,

1. That this humble memorialist's younger son R.
Kristnaswami Row of Nellore after passing the Intermediate
Examination of the Madras University held in March 1911
from the Christian College at Madras went to Bombay and
got admission into the Victoria Jubilee Technical Insti-
tute Byculla, Bombay, in the beginning of January 1912
for study of Electrical Engineering, which is a special
subject ~~selected~~ subsequently selected by the Benign Madras Go-
vernment in its notification No. 8 dated 30th January
1912 for Technical foreign scholarship of over £ 150/-
per annum to be tenable in England for 2 or more years.

2. That the memorialist's younger son R. Kristna-
swami Row is one of those applicants that competed for that
foreign scholarship though he could not succeed in getting
it.

3. That as to the memorialist's son R. Kristnaswami
Row's aptitude and practical interest as well as natural
talents for the study of electrical Engineering which
prompted him to take up this special Branch of Technical
subject-a kind gracious perusal of the testimonials of
his college professors will please the patrons of Techni



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cel education to delight them to encourage him as a student deserving special encouragement by way of scholarship of at least Rs. 30/- a month to be tenable in Bombay where the recognized Central Technical Institute for India is located and in which the memorialist's son R. Kristnaswami Rao is now a student for study of electrical Engineering.

4. That this humble memorialist as father and guardian of that student R. Kristnaswami Rao had applied to the Director of Public Instruction, Madras Presidency for a scholarship of Rs. 30/- per mensem to be awarded to his son till he completes his (4) four year course in the Bombay Victoria Jubilee Technical Institute. A kind perusal of the memorial to the Director (copy submitted) is humbly and earnestly solicited and that he received the Director's endorsement No. 3285/1912 dated 1-5-12 (herewith submitted) stating that the petitioner's request cannot be complied with.

5. That in order to enable himself to appeal to the Local Government from the order of the Director he, the memorialist, applied to him to be furnished with a copy of reasons for his decision as required in rule 3 of the rules governing the submission of petitions to the Government of Madras whereupon he was favoured with the Director's proceedings No. 3805 of 12 dated 20th. May 1912 (herewith submitted in original) stating

"That the request contained in his letter dated 7th April 1912 was not complied with as the Director has at his disposal no scholarships for award to pupils reading in the Victoria Jubilee Technical Institute, Bombay."

6. That it is thus plain from the Director's reasons that it is not because the student does not

possess the required merits to deserve the grant of state scholarship applied for by his father on his behalf but because there was no scholarship at his disposal for award to pupils reading in the Victoria Jubilee Technical Institute Bombay.

7. That the memorialist humbly submits that Your Excellency's gracious Government kindly recognised the importance of Technical Education and is granting periodically one ^{foreign} scholarship for the ^{study} of Technical Subjects with the manifold ^{objects} in the spread of Technical Education. Central Institute of Technology in Bombay also imparts superior instruction and the memorialist humbly submits that it is the best of its kind that is within the reach of students of this Presidency though at a heavy cost. If such a one is located at Madras the fortune of students of this Presidency in search of Technical Education ^{would} be boundless. The memorialist therefore humbly prays that your Excellency's Government may be highly pleased to order the award of some ^{each} scholarships of Rs. 30/- a month or such sum as your Excellency pleases to be tenable in the Central Institute of Technology at Bombay out of the most liberal bounty of their most gracious Imperial Majesties at the time of their glorious coronation as Educational recurring grant including Technical Education for the whole Indian Empire as a unit irrespective of Presidency distinctions. The fact that the Technical Institute belongs to a foreign Presidency may not be a material ground for not creating and awarding scholarships to be tenable in that Technical Institute at Bombay for being awarded to deserving candidates. The memorialist humbly submits that there are numerous Technical scholarships donated by several state Maharajahs and wealthy persons of other Presidencies to the Technical students studying at the Victoria Jubilee Technical Institute at Bombay.

countries and provinces whereas there is none of the kind from this Madras Presidency which would extend the scholarship to the memorialist's son in undertaking for the study of Electrical Engineering of Technical Education.

8. That the memorialist's son R. Kristnaswami Row had to go to Bombay Technical Institute as there is no Technical Institute of equal importance at Madras duly established and recognised by Government and well equipped as it is having a special grant of 3 lakhs of rupees out of the Delhi Durbar bonus for its further improvement unique and unlike to any other Institute in India. Therefore the Bombay Technical Institute being practically and universally considered as a central Technical Institute for India, the memorialist's son sought for and got admission into it. The importance of Technical Education is the same every where irrespective of the locality where it is had.

9. That in as much as Electrical Engineering is selected for state foreign scholarship of £ 150 per annum by the local Government to be tenable in England for 2 years which comes to nearly Rs. 10,000 including the extension if any and the steamer charges from and to besides the term fees for the whole course, which are all to be borne by the Government = The study of Electrical Engineering at Bombay may be encouraged to a deserving student equally with much less cost of scholarship of Rs. 360 per annum at Rs. 30 per mensem for four years' course within Rs. 1440, comparatively a very low sum per student, for which the memorialist's son R. Kristnaswami Row, who had competed for state foreign scholarship with testimonials and certificates of his college professors as to the student's talented faculties, practical interest, and special aptitude of Electrical Engineering.

in the University and Technical Institutes, — is an applicant through his father the memorialist.

10. That ^{the} Director of Public Instruction Madras simply contented himself by giving the memorialist a negative endorsement; but ^{was} ^{kind enough} ~~did not choose~~ to address the Local Government for creation of a scholarship in favour of the memorialist's son R. Kristnaswami Row, who is a deserving student to justify the grant of state scholarship by the satisfactory progress to be made in the Bombay Technical Institute. That the memorialist's son having come to understand that certain Presidents of District Boards have been granting Technical scholarships and sending students to the Central Institute Bombay, he applied to the President, District Board Nellore for a grant of scholarship from his District. The President was pleased to endorse that he regretted that he could not help the applicant. (Endorsement enclosed).

11. That the memorialist most humbly and respectfully begs to approach your gracious Excellency with an earnest prayer for a kind grant of Rs. 30. per mensem out of the educational allotment of the Budget as Madras Presidency, state scholarship, to the memorialist's son R. Kristnaswami Row now studying for Electrical Engineering in the Victoria Jubilee Technical Institute, Byculla Bombay to be tenable in the same Institute to complete his course and to obtain a Diploma. — after kindly perusing chiefly among all papers herewith submitted copies of certificates of the Madras University Christian College professors Messrs, Reverend Pettindigh and Moffat and of that of Mr. Baker Professor and head of the Electrical Engineering Branch of the Victoria Jubilee Technical Institute Byculla Bombay and to kindly patronize and encourage the student (memorialist's son) R. Kristnaswami Row as state Technical scholarship recipient to study and complete his Electrical Engineering

course and obtain the prescribed Diploma as L.E.E., at Bombay and render justice to the memorialist in these days of his extremely short income struggling with abnormally high-nay-famine prices. For this kind ~~petr~~ patronage kindly given to the memorialist's son R. Krishnaswami Rao, he, the memorialist, shall, as in duty bound, ever pray to the Almighty God for your gracious Excellency's long life and everlasting prosperity and happiness as patron of Technical Education, because the memorialist's son R. Krishnaswami Rao though studying at the Bombay Technical Institute cannot approach that Government or any other Government than that of your Excellency as he is native of Nellore, in Madras Presidency. Hence this earnest and most unavoidable ^{humblest} prayer.

12. That the enclosures are submitted as per ^{separate} ~~spe~~ list appended to this.

The humble memorialist begs to remain,

Your Excellency,

Your Excellency's most humble Servant,

Nellore
29 June 1912 }

R. Pannambauz

Father and guardian of the student
(R. Krishnaswami Rao studying for Electrical Engineering at the Victoria Jubilee Technical Institute Byculla Bombay.)

Copy of petition from R. Krishnaswami Rao, Electrical Student, Technical Institute, Bombay to the Director of Public Instruction, Madras, dated 19th February 1912.

I, R. Krishnaswami Rao, a native of Nellore, Madras, Presidency beg leave to submit myself as a candidate for the scholarship for electrical engineering study in England notified in the Fort St. George Gazette of 30th January 1912 Part I-B, pages 61 to 63. I am aged 20 and am constitutionally sound. I have passed the Intermediate examination of the Madras University held in March 1911 from Madras Christian College, with distinction in Natural Science.

2. From my childhood I had a burning desire and bent of mind for mechanics. While I was seven years old and had to carry my slate to school I found it troublesome, and fell upon a plan to construct an under-ground vehicle which will carry it to the school automatically. In my tenth year I wanted to give a practical effect to the plan and I tried to exhort my fellow students to subscribe towards its cost. But I could not. Since that time I had been doing small machinery of my own for small purposes. I made several most useful mechanical appliances such as to close doors from a distance, to give alarm, to indicate that a certain part of the house is attacked and so on. I being not of affluent circumstances could not further my designs, but I was contented to go on designing in my solitudes several electrical toys and I have still a list of important electrical apparatus to be designed. Almost all my designs pertain to electricity. In my intermediate class while I was studying some books on electricity I came across the several recording telegraph instruments that are in use, since the existing instruments were very complex in mechanism and unsuited for a wide commercial use I took it into my mind to try to improve the existing ones. I request your honour not to take me amiss when I say that it has ever been my ruling desire and genuine attempt not to be satisfied with acquiring what

what is stated by authors but to find something to tell to others. Thus originality ever held me in control and I was necessitated unconscious of myself to spend the little amount of money at my disposal to buy instruments to enable me to work out something original, take a patent and sell it to any firm and with that money to go to England or America and acquire that knowledge for the sake of which I venture everything I have; for nothing I have is more dear to me than that knowledge in my dear electricity. Thus I submit to your honour what my heart is and I implore your gracious honour to give me this opportunity to do justice to my instinctive interest. I have been pursuing after this knowledge and I will do so to the end of my life. Thus it is, your honour, that I flashed upon this invention, "the teletype" at which I had been working and which I am not able to perfect owing to pecuniary want. To patronize me in this invention I apply to several rich men one of whom is His Highness the Gaekwar of Barodaan extract of which is to be seen in the enclosure B herewith submitted. I applied to an American firm of Patent Attorneys, V.J. Evas and Co., whether my invention is new one or whether such a thing had been existing in reply to which I got the reply Enclosure C that it is a new ~~xxxx~~ one and sent me the certificate of patentability Enclosure D, that it can be granted a patent. After which hearing nothing from me they sent the letter Enclosure E offering me concession fees. Enclosure F is a copy of testimonial given by my Professor the Rev. G. Pittendrigg as to my ability and character. Lastly I beg to submit that my father P. Pannamraj has already on the 14th instant submitted an application on my behalf from Nellore together with the enclosures A & B another copy of which I herewith submit duly signed by me for identity. In conclusion, I implore your gracious honour to kindly peruse

the enclosures and recommend me to His Excellency the
Governor in Council for the scholarship above mentioned.

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NOTE FILE.

C. No. 1974 From the R. Panam Raju No. dated 29-6-1912.

SUBJECT. Applying for a scholarship on behalf of his son.

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The petitioner's son, R. Krishnaswami Rao, seems to have applied to the S.P.S for a Govt of India Technical Scholarship advertised under G.O. 74 Ed. 1, 30-1-12, but ~~the applicant not being a graduate~~ the application was ~~apparently~~ rejected. ~~by the S.P.S~~ Krishnaswami Rao's father thereupon applied to the S.P.S for a special scholarship of Rs 30 per m as to enable his son to continue his studies in the Victoria Technical Institute, Bombay. In reply he was informed by the S.P.S that his request could not be complied with, because the Director had, at his disposal, no scholarships for award to students reading in that school.

2. The petitioner now requests Govt to institute some scholarships of the value of Rs 30 each or less out of the Coronation grant and make them available at the Central Institute of Technology, Bombay, and to grant one of such scholarships to his son to enable him to continue his studies in the Victoria Jubilee Technical Institute, Bombay.

3. In the first place, out of the Coronation grant of 8 lacs sanctioned by the Govt of India a sum

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on p. 3 of G.O. 204 Dtd 2-3-12.

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The D.P.I. has submitted proposals
for distributing this grant among
the existing industrial schools
for equipment.
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of Rs 12,000 has been set apart for "Technical & Industrial education". It was explained by Govt of India that this money was intended for expenditure on workshops, equipment, schemes for industrial education submitted but not yet sanctioned and on kindred objects. The creation of scholarships tenable in institutes outside the Madras Presidency does not appear to be within the province of the Coronation grant.

4. Apart from the Coronation grant it is possible for Govt. to create a special scholarship if the circumstances of the case justify such course. But it seems doubtful whether the S.P.I. considered that the case was a deserving one. If he had thought so he would certainly have come up to Govt. Attention is in this connection invited to a similar case disposed of in G.O. 211 Dtd 20th March 1908 and Dr. Bourne's note on page 4 of that G.O.

5. Submitted that the application may be forwarded to the S.P.I. u.s. for remarks in the first instance.

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The S.P.I. declined to recommend the case disposed of in G.O. 211. 20.3.08 for favourable consideration as the student did not consult the Educational Department before joining the Banky institute, and as no information as to his

family circumstances had been given. In this case, the Educational Department was not apparently consulted before the student ^(joined) the Bombay Institute in January last. The idea of applying for foot. aid seems to have ~~not~~ been originated ^{and} after the publication of the notification ^{inviting} ~~concerning~~ for applications for the foot. of India technical scholarship.

2. Though details as to the ~~family~~ circumstances of the family are ^{not} available, from the papers now submitted it appears that the father of the student is a foot. pensioner (amount of pension not known) and that the family is not in affluent circumstances. Please see the portions marked with blue pencil on pages 8, 13, 19, 25, 28 + 32 of current file.

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page 30 of cf.

His own allegations
pp 7-9 of cf. do not
inspire confidence.

3. The student is reported to possess special aptitude for mechanics and to have invented some mechanisms already.

4. It is for consideration whether the D.P. should be consulted on the point whether the student deserves any special treatment and if so in what manner.

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The case does not differ materially from that of

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P. Jivim - Menon referred to above to whom a scholarship was refused. R. Krishnaswami Rao is one of a number of local students in the Bombay Technical Institute and there is nothing to show that he is any more entitled to a scholarship than any of the others. It does not seem wise a case for creating a precedent.

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A draft order is submitted for approval.

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ORDER.

Miss

No. 008, dated 24.7.1912

The Govt. regret ^{that they cannot} ~~their inability~~ to
Sanction a special scholarship on
behalf of the petitioner's son, R.
Krishnaswami Rao, to enable him
to prosecute his studies in the Victoria
Jubilee Technical Institute, Bombay.

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