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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.  
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READ—the following paper :—

Endorsement from the Government of India, Department of Education  
(Education), dated Simla, the 24th April 1913, No. 758.

A copy of the undermentioned papers is forwarded to the Government of Madras for information.

(By Order.)

H. SHARP,  
Joint Secretary to the Govt. of India.

(i)

Despatch—from the Government of India, Department of Education (Education).  
To—His Majesty's Secretary of State for India.  
Dated—Delhi, the 19th December 1912.  
No.—28.

We have the honour to forward for Your Lordship's consideration a letter received from the Government of Bombay No. 2580, dated the 9th October 1912, in which the local Government propose that the State Technical Scholarships allotted to that Presidency should be offered next year for a course of instruction in pottery for two and a half years in India and six months in Europe and that in the event of two scholarships being allotted to Bombay, the second should be offered on similar terms for the study of fuel and its control. These proposals generally meet with our approval, but we are inclined to think that a better division of the period would be two years spent in India and one year in Europe as approved in the case of a student of Architecture in Your Lordship's Public Despatch No. 64, dated the 5th April 1912. As, however, we have not received the report of the Committee appointed by Your Lordship to consider the general question of these scholarships, we prefer to submit this point for Your Lordship's consideration.

2. If the proposal that the scholarships should occasionally take the form of a studentship in India followed by a course of study in Europe meets with approval, we shall be glad if Your Lordship would authorise us to award such scholarships in future. We would also enquire, especially in view of the report by the Educational Adviser on Maung Ba Tint's progress for 1911, which formed an enclosure to Your Lordship's Public Despatch, No. 199, dated the 17th November 1911, whether suitable arrangements could be made for the study of the technology of pottery and fuel and its control in Europe.

ENCLOSURE.

Letter—from J. L. Rieu, Esq., I.C.S., Secretary to the Government of Bombay, Educational Department.  
To—the Joint Secretary to the Government of India, Department of Education.  
Dated—Bombay Castle, the 9th October 1912.  
No.—2580.

I am directed to refer to my letter No. 3272, dated the 29th November 1911, suggesting that the State Technical Scholarships should not in future be restricted exclusively to training abroad, but that if the subject selected is one for the study of which institutions in India offer adequate facilities, part of the course might, if found more convenient, be undergone in India.

2. I am now directed to state that the Governor in Council has decided that the State Technical Scholarship allotted to this Presidency should be offered next year for a course of instruction in pottery for 2½ years in India and 6 months in Europe. In the event of two scholarships being allotted the Governor in Council is of opinion that the second should also take the form of a studentship in India for 2½ years followed by 6 months' instruction in Europe and should in this case be offered for the study of fuel and its control.

3. I am accordingly to inquire whether the Government of India have any objection to both the scholarships being offered for study in India as proposed above.

4. I am to add that should the Government of India consider it inadvisable to allot both scholarships for study in India, the Governor in Council proposes that the second scholarship should be offered for the study in Europe of the manufacture of fine chemicals and pharmaceutical products.

(ii)

Despatch—from His Majesty's Secretary of State for India.

To—His Excellency the Right Honourable the Governor-General of India in Council.

Dated—India Office, the 21st March 1913.

No.—5, Public (Student).

I have had under consideration in Council Your Excellency's Despatch of the 19th December (No. 28 of 1912), in regard to the State Technical Scholarships.

proposed for this year by the Government of Bombay, and Your Excellency's telegram of the 28th of January in regard to those proposed by the Government of the United Provinces. I do not anticipate any serious difficulty in making suitable provision in this country for the training of holders of scholarships granted for the study of pottery, for the study of fuel and its control, or for the study of the working of wood and grass pulp. Provision could also be made for training in sugar engineering at Manchester or Glasgow; but this would, in all probability have to be supplemented, as in the case of Mr. G. N. Sahasrabudhe, by a year's further study in the West Indies. But I cannot, after the enquiries recently made, hold out hope at present of securing for an Indian student adequate facilities for studying the manufacture of chemicals in this country.

2. I have no objection to offer to the proposal of the Government of Bombay that the scholars selected to study pottery and fuel should receive special training for two years or more in India before visiting Europe. This proposal is in accordance with the recommendations submitted by Sir Theodore Morison's Committee on State Technical Scholarships, to which I drew Your Excellency's attention in my Despatch No. 1, Public (Students) of the 17th January last, to the effect that a thorough preliminary training in India, not only in general and scientific education but in practical work as well, is required in the case of every technical scholar sent to this country. I would add that no scholar could with advantage come here to study fuel and its control, who has not first acquired in India a thorough general knowledge of chemistry, physics, mathematics and engineering. But I am advised that it would be of little advantage to send a technical scholar to England for only six months' training. Such scholars ought to be prepared for at least two years' training in this country after receiving the best preliminary training that India can give them. It is only by nominating to these scholarships men who have already shown special aptitudes for studying the subjects selected, and by giving them a thorough training, that we can hope to secure results commensurate with the expenditure incurred. I am, therefore, not in favour of the suggestion that the period of preliminary training in India should form part of the scholarship term, but should prefer, as originally contemplated, to limit the grant of the allowance of 150/ a year to the period of training taken outside India, the amount of stipend, if any, to be paid to them during their preliminary training in India being left to the decision of Your Excellency's Government.

3. I request that in the case of any intended technical scholar who is receiving preliminary training in India, a report upon his work and progress should be forwarded to me at the end of each year, so that his training in India and in England may be made parts of one considered plan, and that no time may be lost on his arrival in this country.

No. 427, EDUCATIONAL, 12TH MAY 1913.

4. I have also received Your Excellency's telegram of the 15th of February, enquiring as to the facilities which exist in this country for training Indian students in flour milling, and I have already telegraphed to you on that subject.

Order—No. 427, Educational, dated 12th May 1913.

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(True Extract.)

L. DAVIDSON,  
*Ag. Secretary to Government.*

To the Director of Public Instruction.  
 „ Revenue Department.  
 „ Secretary, Students' Advisory Committee.

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