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Petition Regarding inability to comply with the request of Mr. R. P. Shankaruni M.A. LL.D. Secy. lectures at Balghat Victoria College for an appointment in the Provincial Education Service.

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Subject.

Submitting with remarks an application from M.R.Ry. P. Shankunni M.A., L.T., Second lecturer in the Victoria College, Palghat for an appointment in the Provincial Educational Service.

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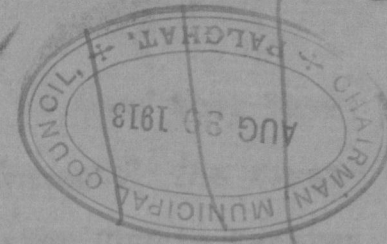
Re No. 8102/13

Station Madras , Dated the 17th October 1913

From (Name) The Hon. Sir Alfred Gibbs Bourne, D.Sc.,
F.R.S., K.C.I.E.,
(Designation) Director of Public Instruction.

To The Secretary to the Government of Madras,
Educational ~~Local and Municipal~~ Department,
Sir,

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To

The Secretary to the Government of Madras,
Education Department.

Through

The Principal, Victoria College, Palghat,
The Inspector of Schools, 5th Circle, and
The Hon'ble, the Director of Public Instruction, Madras.

The humble petition of P. Shankunni, 2nd Lecturer and Head-
master, Victoria College, Palghat.

Most Respectfully Sheweth,

That the petitioner most respectfully begs to submit for consideration the following lines setting forth his request for an appointment in the Madras Provincial Education Service in the impending redistribution of Circles on the West Coast, or in any other arrangement. He understands that a few additional appointments are to be made in the last grade of that service and begs that he may be kindly given one of these appointments.

The petitioner belongs to the most progressive of the backward communities of the West Coast. He is a Thiyan by caste. In numerical strength the Thiyans form by far the most predominant element of the Hindu population of Malabar, and also of the native states of Cochin and Travancore. They form the backbone of the industry of the West Coast. There is no profession too high or too low for them. Benefitting by the equal opportunities afforded to all by the British Government they have made great strides and come to the front in spite of the crushing disabilities of their caste; but owing to the rapid progress made by them the Government does not seem willing to recognise them as one of the depressed classes.

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Most Respectfully Sheweth,
Master, Victoria College, Palghat.
The humble petition of P. Shanmuni, 2nd Lecturer and Head-
The Hon'ble, the Director of Public Instruction, Madras.
The Inspector of Schools, 8th Circle, and
The Principal, Victoria College, Palghat.
Through
The Secretary to the Government of Madras,
Education Department.

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Whenever equal chances have been given to them they have earned the highest encomiums from Government. The first that rose to eminence was Deputy Collector Churia Kanaran, about whom the Senior Member of Council, Sir William Robinson, wrote: "Throughout my long career I have never met with a single native official in this Presidency in whom are united equal strength of character and ability with such unimpeachable integrity and bold honesty of purpose", and the Board of Revenue stated: "There never was an instance in this Presidency in which the merits of an unconvicted civilian demanded recognition so strongly". Subsequently there have been numerous individual instances of exceptional merit which it is unnecessary to detail.

Considering their numbers and importance the Thiyan are very poorly represented in all grades of the Public Service, and in the Education Department in which there are about 49 appointments in the Provincial and about one hundred and forty one in the subordinate service, not a single appointment has been given to a Thiyan, although qualified applicants have not been wanting.

The Petitioner is the only M.A. & L.T. in his community, being the second among them to pass the M.A. Degree Examination. He regrets to submit that the first M.A. had to seek employment in the native state of Mysore as he could not obtain a suitable appointment in this Presidency, in the Education Department, or in any other.

The Petitioner is the 2nd Lecturer, and Headmaster of the School Department of the Victoria College, on Rs.129, being in the Rs.120 - 150 grade, and has acted twice as its Vice-Principal on Rs.150 - 200. In the present condition of things he has no prospect of further promotion in the college.

Besides the M.A. and L.T. Degree Examinations he has passed the Government Translation Test, Higher Grade,

He might
become
Vice-Principal
for M.A.

Whenever equal chances have been given to them they have earned the highest honours from Government. The first that rose to eminence was Deputy Collector Guntur Kammara, about whom the Senior Member of Council, Sir William Robin-son, wrote: "Throughout my long career I have never met with a single native official in this Presidency in whom are united equal strength of character and ability with such unimpeachable integrity and bold honesty of purpose," and the Board of Revenue stated: "There never was an in-stance in this Presidency in which the merits of an unex-pected civilian demanded recognition so strongly." Sub-sequently there have been numerous individual instances of exceptional merit which it is unnecessary to detail. Considering their numbers and importance the Thiyas are very poorly represented in all grades of the Public Service, and in the Education Department in which there are about 40 appointments in the Provincial and about one hundred and forty one in the subordinate service, not a single appointment has been given to a Thiyas, although qualified applicants have not been wanting.

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Besides the M.A. and B.L.T. Degree Examinations he has passed the Government Translation Test, Higher Grade,

Malayalam, (in the First Class, heading the list), and the Precise Writing Test. He has 15 years' service as a teacher. He was an Assistant Master Examiner for two years in con-nection with the Madras University Examinations, and has been a Chief Examiner in connection with the School Final Examination.

In conclusion the Petitioner humbly begs to submit that should he be so unfortunate as to miss the present chance he is not likely to obtain another as he is already 36 years old. The favour asked for being in the easy gift of Government the Petitioner makes this appeal in the hope that on personal and on general grounds his prayer will meet with a favourable response.

For which act of kindness he will be ever grateful.

Victoria College,
Palghat, 14-8-13.

P. Shankar

No. 205
15/8/13

Submitted. Applicant is doing very good work here and I do not wish to lose him; but do not wish to refuse to submit his petition as his work deserves any help I can render him. He is keenly interested in his work; is reliable, straight forward, and fearless; and has a freshness and energy of mind that is rare. He would, I believe, make a very good inspecting officer.

15/8/13.

A. W. Davey
Principal.

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 nection with the Madras University Examinations, and has
 been a Chief Examiner in connection with the School Final
 Examination.

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 Submitted for
 orders. ^{19/8/13}*

In conclusion the Petitioner humbly begs to submit
 that should he be so unfortunate as to miss the present
 chance he is not likely to obtain another as he is already
 30 years old. The favour asked for being in the way of
 of Government the Petitioner makes this appeal in the hope
 that on personal and on general grounds his prayer will
 meet with a favourable response.
 For which act of kindness he will be ever grateful.

Victoria College,
 Palghat, 14-8-13.

*Submitted. Applicant is a very good
 work done and is not likely to lose his
 do not want to refuse to appoint him
 as his work shows and his help is
 It is kindly suggested to his work; as
 suitable, slightly increased, and further
 and has a promising and steady
 mind that is rare. He would be
 make a very good assistant officer.
 15/8/13.*



OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR OF SCHOOLS,
 EIGHTH CIRCLE,
 CANNANORE.

N. R. O. C. No. 192 M. of 1913.
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Dated 21. 8. 13. 1913

ENCLOSURES: —

Endorsement on

No 205 A 15. 8. 13 of the Principal
 Victoria College Palghat.

*Forwarded to the
 Palghat for forwarding to the
 to the Secretary, Public Instruction.
 I have known Mr. Shankar
 and a short time but during my
 recent visit to Palghat he impressed
 me very favourably with his business
 ability and gentlemanly composition.
 In my opinion he would be a valuable
 acquisition to the service.*

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Inspector of Schools
 8th Circle.



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Forwarded for favor of
very kind consideration
I have known Mr. Shankunni
personally for the last four
years both before and
after I became Chairman.
I have a very high
opinion about his
character and ability.
I entirely agree with the
opinion expressed of Mr.
Shankunni by the Principal
and the Inspector. I
strongly recommend that
Mr. Shankunni's exceptional
claims may be very
favorably considered.
Respectfully,
Chairman
31-8-13

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Ref. on Cur. No. 8102/13 dated 17th October 1913.

Submitted to Government.

2. Unless the view is taken that the applicant
should be provided with a post in the Provincial Educational
Service because he is a Thiyan I am not prepared to support
his application.

As is
36 yrs old

In the first place he is much over the prescribed age
for admission to Government Service. In the next place, his
appointment to the Provincial Educational Service would
hinder the promotion of several men in the Subordinate Educa-
tional Service, Collegiate branch who are at least as well
qualified as himself. Moreover, he is admittedly doing very
useful work in the College at Palghat, and I am unwilling
except in cases of urgent necessity to deprive non-departmental
institutions of members of their staffs.

The staff of the Victoria College was in such need
of strengthening that Government have had to lend to it the
services of M.R.Ry M. Rajagopala Ayyangar M.A., L.T., of
the Government College, Mangalore, for appointment as 1st
Lecturer and Vice-Principal. If the college can now spare
one of its best teachers for the public service I would
prefer the reversion of M.R.Ry. Rajagopala Ayyangar,
which would make way for M.R.Ry. Shankunni's promotion, to the
appointment of the latter to the Public Service.

G. Krishnaswami

for Director of Public Instruction.

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C. No. 31548a, From the S. C. I., No. 8702, dated 17-10-1913.

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Box No. 10
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The Govt regret that ~~they~~^{they}
cannot comply with
~~reasonable demands~~ The
petitioner's requests. ~~cannot~~
~~be complied with~~

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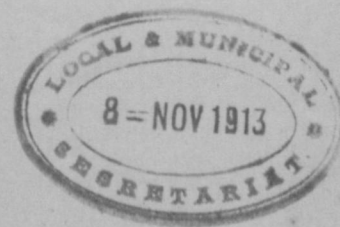
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Note phone D.D.'s name on
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The man seems exceptionally good, but has still the Vice-Principal's post to look forward to & so is not permanently blocked for promotion, even if his request is not granted.

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Lester Mcgill

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