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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

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READ—the following papers :—

I

Letter No. 500, Educational, dated 8th May 1915.

ABSTRACT.—Addressing the Under Secretary of State for India for further information regarding the training of officers of the Provincial and Subordinate Educational services by deputing them to study the educational systems of England and other countries.

II

Letter—from M. C. SETON, Esq., Secretary, Judicial and Public Department, India Office, Whitehall, London, S.W.

To—the Secretary to the Government of Madras, Educational Department.

Dated—the 8th July 1915.

No.—J. & P. 2568.

With reference to your letter of the 8th May, No. 500, I send for the information of the Government of Madras a copy of a letter from Dr. Heath regarding the scheme for giving facilities to educational officers for special training in the country.

ENCLOSURE.

Letter—from H. FRANK HEATH, Esq., Director of Special Inquiries and Reports, Board of Education, Whitehall, London, S.W.

To—the Secretary, Judicial and Public Department, India Office, Whitehall, S.W.

Dated—the 30th June 1915.

No.—J. & P. 2231.

In reply to your letter of June 12th covering a letter of 8th May 1915 (with enclosures) from the Government of Madras, I am now in the position to make proposals alternative to those contained in my letter of November 12th, 1914, to the Director of Public Instruction in Madras.

Mr. Stone, Sir John Struthers (to whom the Governor of Madras had written privately on the matter) and I had a Conference on Thursday last on the whole question. My letter of November 12th, 1914, had been written under the impression that (a) the Madras authorities had decided that a period of training in a Training College would be necessary in every case and (b) it was desired that each officer sent to this country should have an extended period of school teaching as well as some experience of inspection.

We all agreed on Thursday, however, that a more elastic arrangement would better suit the needs of the officers in question, as explained in the letter of May 8th from the Madras Government, and amplified by Mr. Stone. It is accordingly suggested that officers sent to this country should be assigned to England for a part of their time and to Scotland for another part. On the arrival each officer would be interviewed at the Board of Education and it would be decided in consultation with the Scotch Education Department in which country he should begin his studies. He would be attached to an inspector who would be informed of the reasons for the officer's presence in this country and who would be asked to report within the first few months whether in his opinion a further period of study at a Training College was necessary and desirable, and if so, what the nature and duration of the course should be. Care would be taken to arrange for visits to all grades of school including technical schools, and so far as possible opportunity would be given for the officer to obtain experience in teaching in the schools, though not in a responsible capacity. Care would also be taken to attach the officer to areas predominantly rural in character. It is suggested that officers for whom no period of study in a Training College was recommended would probably have obtained sufficient experience at the end of one year to justify their return to India. In other cases some extension of

time would be necessary and if it were possible to extend the period of deputation in this country up to a limit of two years, the actual amount of the extension in each case might be decided in consultation with the India Office.

In this way it was thought, at our Conference on Thursday, the arrangement made for each officer might be varied so as to give him the range of experience and study best suited to his needs.

Order—No. 1075, Educational, dated 29th September 1915.

The Government of India will be addressed.

(True Extract.)

C. G. TODHUNTER,
Ag. Secretary to Government.

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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT.

No. 1076.

From

THE HON'BLE MR. C. G. TODHUNTER, I.C.S.,
Acting Secretary to the Government of Madras,
Educational Department,

To

THE SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA,
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION.

Dated Ootacamund, the 29th September 1916.

SIR,

I am directed to address you on the subject of improving the training of officers of the Provincial and Subordinate Educational services by deputing them to study the educational systems of England and other countries. C.G.

2. As the Government of India are aware the demand for the larger employment of Indians in the higher ranks of the inspecting agency and the professorial service in colleges is being repeatedly pressed on the attention of the Government. This request cannot obviously be complied with in the existing state of circumstances, owing mainly to the fact that the education of an Indian confined to Indian Universities is lacking in breadth of outlook, a quality which is necessarily required of an inspector entrusted with the duties of pioneering and superintending educational work. The question of giving the necessary training to the officers in the subordinate services to enable them to qualify for the higher posts has accordingly been engaging the consideration of this Government for some time past. Meanwhile in April 1914, a resolution was moved by a non-official member of the Legislative Council, recommending that some selected officers of the Provincial and Subordinate Educational C.G. services be sent abroad on deputation from time to time to study the educational systems of England and other countries. As the question was then under the consideration of the Government, the resolution was accepted.

3. In pursuance of this ^{decision} ~~division~~ the Government have framed, in conjunction with the Board of Education, London, certain proposals for the training of the subordinate educational officers, part of the time being spent in England and part in Scotland. It is proposed to send from time to time some two or three officers, male or female. The officers selected would be those who had graduated in arts with credit and had, after training in the local Teachers' College, obtained the degree of Licentiate in Teaching. They would also have had some years' experience of teaching or inspecting work in this Presidency. Each officer would, on arrival in England, be interviewed by the Board of Education and it would be decided, in consultation

with the Scotch Education Department, whether he should begin his studies in England or Scotland. He would be attached to an inspector and be afforded facilities for visits to all grades of schools, including technical schools, which are predominantly rural in character—a precaution that is necessary to suit the training to Indian conditions. Where necessary, arrangements would also be made for a further period of study at a training college. The course of training is expected to last for one year in the case of persons for whom no period of study in a training college is deemed necessary and in other cases up to a limit of two years, the actual period being decided in each individual case. The officer sent home might qualify for the London University Teachers' diploma; but this would not be insisted on.

4. The officers selected would be provided with free second-class passages to and from and given ordinarily £150 a year, subject to a maximum of £200 in special cases, in addition to tuition fees, if any, for study at the training college. They would be required to satisfy the following conditions:—

(1) they should be natives of India, i.e., persons born and domiciled within the dominions of His Majesty, of parents habitually resident in India and not established there for temporary purposes only;

(2) they should be physically fit to undergo the course; and

(3) they should execute bonds to serve the Government for a period of at least five years on return.

It is not proposed to lay down any hard and fast limit of age, but care would be taken to select only persons of suitable age. The officers deputed would be allowed to count the period spent on training for leave and pension.

5. A copy of the correspondence with the Board of Education is enclosed for reference.

I am to request that sanction may be obtained for the scheme outlined above. I am to add that it is not proposed that effect should be given to it until the present financial situation improves.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

C. G. TODHUNTER,

Acting Secretary to Government.

EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT.

NOTES CONNECTED WITH G.Os. Nos. 1075-76, EDUCATIONAL, DATED
THE 29TH SEPTEMBER 1915.

[SUBJECT.—*Training in England and Scotland of officers of the Provincial and Subordinate Educational Service.*]

Previous papers :

G.O.	689, Educational, 26th July 1913.
"	255, Financial, 2nd April 1914.
"	701, Educational, 12th June "
Letter	500 " 8th May 1915.

From the India Office, dated the 8th July 1915, No. 2568.

Please see the correspondence and notes with letter No. 500, Educational, dated the 8th May 1915. With reference to this letter, the Director of Special Inquiries and Reports has now framed revised proposals for the training in England and other countries of selected officers of the Provincial and Subordinate Educational Services. In the formulation of the proposals, Mr. Stone, the permanent Director of Public Instruction on leave and Sir John Struthers, to whom His Excellency had written privately on the subject, have also been consulted. The proposals are briefly to attach to an inspector in England or Scotland each officer sent up from India, to arrange for visits to all grades of school including technical schools, chiefly in areas predominantly rural in character and to make arrangements for a further period of study at a Training College where this course is found to be necessary. According to this scheme the course of training is expected to last for one year when study in a Training College is not necessary and in other cases up to a limit of two years.

2. The revised proposals now forwarded seem acceptable. A draft letter requesting the sanction of the Government of India to the scheme is submitted. If approved, it may be sent to Financial for acceptance.

S.A.—20-8-15.

C.R.—20-8-15.

I held this up pending Mr. Stone's arrival as I wished to understand more of the conditions under which the course was to be reduced to one year. I gather from him that that will be done practically only in the case of officers who have already spent some time in England.

Draft for approval.

C. G. TODHUNTER—15-9-15.

FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT.

Please see Financial and Educational notes, dated 6th March 1915 and 24th March 1915, on pages 2 and 3 respectively of the notes in letter No. 500, Educational, dated 8th May 1915. The draft may be accepted in Financial.

P.K.—18-9-15.

T.H.R.—18-9-15.

L. E. KESSEAW—20-9-15.

Yes, but Honourable Member, Financial, should see

A. BUTTERWORTH—21-9-15.

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EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT.

For orders as to circulation to His Excellency the Governor and Honourable Member (Financial).

C.R.—22-9-15.

C. G. TODHUNTER—22-9-15.

P[ENTLAND]—23-9-15.

H. A. S[TUART]—27-9-15.

[G.Os. Nos. 1075-76, Educational, dated the 29th September 1915.]

EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT.

Read again Letter 500 Edl., dated the 8th May 1915.

Read also C.No.2628 Edl., from the India Office, No.2566, dated the 8-17-1915.

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