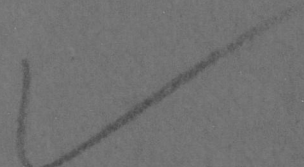


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THE HON'BLE MR. H. SHARP, C.I.E.,

Officiating Secretary to the Government of India,

To

THE SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF BENGAL,

GENERAL (EDUCATION) DEPARTMENT.

Department of Education.
Education.

Delhi, the 22nd November 1915.

Recd on 29/11/15

SIR,

I am directed to reply to your letter no. 615, dated the 5th February 1915, in which it is requested that the Cambridge Higher Local Certificate may under certain conditions be accepted as sufficient qualification to entitle a candidate from Bengal to apply for nomination to the State scholarship for domiciled European and Anglo-Indian girls or women.

2. The Government of India have consulted other Local Governments and Administrations. Their replies are not unanimous in commending the proposal set forth by the Government of Bengal and some weighty reasons have been expressed to the contrary.

3. The Government of India are unable fully to accept the reasons which have been adduced for the acceptance of this proposal. The case of the scholarship for girls of the domiciled community is not comparable with that annually given for boys of the same community, because girls possessed of higher qualifications have presented themselves as candidates in considerably larger number than have boys, with the result that the candidates recommended for this scholarship during the three years for which it has been awarded have displayed singularly high qualifications. It also seems uncertain whether the curriculum and the examination of European schools are entirely disconnected with the university courses. It appears that by a resolution of the 27th May 1911 the University of Calcutta declared the Cambridge Senior Local Examination when taken with certain subjects as exempting from the matriculation and when taken with honours as exempting from the Intermediate in Arts or Science. The argument that but few European or Anglo-Indian women in Bengal study for a university degree appears to some extent to be discounted by the statement in your letter that in March 1914 there were 22 girls in Bengal reading for a university degree and by the fact that two girls possessing a degree have already been recommended for this scholarship by the Government of Bengal.

4. The concession asked for in your letter could hardly be made to Bengal unless applied to other provinces also and with reference not only to the Cambridge Local Examinations but also to the departmental European high school examinations which are prevalent in some parts of India. The Secretary of State in sanctioning this scholarship laid stress upon the importance of possession of a degree. The Government of India have carefully considered the possibility of acceding to the suggestion that lower qualifications should be accepted. Such a modification of the rules however, even if desirable, would have no practical effect since there appears to be no likelihood of a paucity of candidates possessed of the B.A., the M.B., or even the M.A. degree.

For the views of his Excellency the Governor of Bengal
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SIR,

Your most obedient servant,

H. SHARP,

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