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[Despatch Abstract.]

Vernacular test.

Holding in abeyance till he reverts to the post of Inspector of Schools the orders in G.O.No.509, Home (Education), dated the 2nd June 1916 directing the stoppage of Mr.H.O.Kershaw's increment till he passes in a second -----.

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DEPARTMENT.

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Subject.

Requesting sanction of Government because
Reporting to Government the failure of Mr. Kershaw
to pass the Educational Compulsory Test.

ENCLOSURES.

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Dated the 6th September

1917

From (Name) The Hon'ble Mr. J.H. Stone, M.A., F.R.H.S., C.I.E.

(Designation) Director of Public Instruction,
Madras,

To The Secretary to the Government of Madras,

Home (Education) Department.

Sir,

With reference to G.O.No.861 Mis. Home (Education),
dated 10th August 1916, I have the honour to report that
Mr. Kershaw applied for the compulsory Vernacular Test in
Tamil held in July last, but failed. I am hardly surprised
at the result, seeing that his present appointment stands
much in his way of acquiring a sound knowledge of Tamil
which he had been studying while he was an Inspector and
I feel convinced that so long as he continues as Professor
of Chemistry in the Presidency College, he will not find
enough time to devote his attention to the vernacular
without detriment to his other duties.

2. I beg to point out that, in addition to the difficulties under which he labours and which were already brought to the notice of Government on 25th July 1916, the volume of professional and other work that he has now to do has very much increased. Dr. J.L. Simenson, the Additional Professor of Chemistry in the Presidency College, has been on deputation for the last two months in the Indian Munitions Board and this has thrown more work on Mr. Kershaw. Further, he has to put in about 4 hours a week in the Indian Defence Force in addition to doing his official work. It will also be observed from your letter No. 1064 to the Government of India dated 18th August 1917, that the Indian Munitions Board wish to utilise the Presidency College Chemistry staff for research work and this should directly and indirectly increase Mr. Kershaw's work. He is also Warden of the Victoria Students' Hostel and I regard it ^{as} ~~an~~ extremely important that he should continue to hold that post although it is not technically in the service of Government. It will thus be evident that Mr. Kershaw has but little leisure to spare for preparation for the Educational Compulsory Test and that his study of the second language must necessarily be spasmodic.

In these circumstances, I beg to request that Government will be pleased to excuse his failure at the last examination and to let him suspend further preparation even, if necessary, till he reverts to his appointment as Inspector, without the loss of his periodic increments.

I have the honour to be,

S i r,

Your most obedient servant,

C. Kershaw
for Director of Public Instruction

C.R.

NOTES.

Home Education Dept
CNo 2838A from the D.I. no 2340 of 6.9.17
[Subject - Failure of Mr. Kershaw to pass the compulsory vernacular test in a second language.]

Orders are solicited whether in the circumstances explained by the Director, his recommendation to excuse Mr. Kershaw's failure ~~at~~ to pass in a second vernacular at the last examination and to let him suspend further preparation even if necessary, till he reverts to his appointment as Inspector, without the loss of his periodic increments may be approved. The following facts are submitted for consideration in this connection:—

(i) Mr. Kershaw exhausted his time for passing the test in a second vernacular language in July 1913, while he was appointed as acting Professor in the Presidency College only in July 1915

(ii) His failure ^{to comply with the order} was first brought to notice in May 1916 and two examinations have been held since then for which he had ample time for preparation.

(iii) The absence of Dr. Simonsen from the College referred to as one of the grounds for want of preparation was only in July and August, ~~and so outside the examination~~

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could not have affected the preparation^u for the examination held in the beginning of July.
(IV) In May 1916 the Director reported that one of the reasons for the inadequacy of Mr. Kershaw's preparation for the second re-examination^u test was his heavy inspection work and that it would be well if he took advantage of his freedom from touring work to pass the compulsory test. The Director now suggests that Mr. Kershaw may be permitted to suspend preparation till he reverts to the inspection line.

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Attention is however
solicited to his subsequent
work from 861 to 1000.

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The D.P.I.'s recommendation
may be accepted as a special
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The excuse for not passing hitherto
is inadequate but the D.P.I.'s letter
contains enough for the present recommendation.

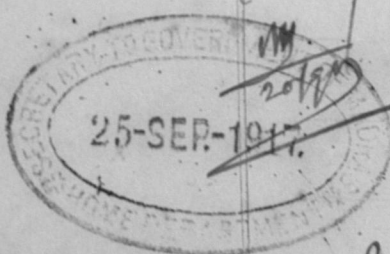
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ORDER.
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No. 1232 dated 25.9 1917.

In the special circumstances explained, the orders passed in para 2 of G.O.No.609 ~~Home~~ ^{of} Education dated the 2nd June 1916 requiring Mr. H.O.Kershaw to pass the compulsory test in a second vernacular language and directing the stoppage of his increment till he so passes will be held in abeyance till he reverts to his appointment as Inspector of Schools. He should however pass the test ^{within two years} after such reversion.

To
The D.P.I. (q&o)
" A.G. (a & o)

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