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Government of India,
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION.
(Education.)

Simla, the 29th August 1917.

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From

The Hon'ble Mr. H. Sharp, C.S.I., C.I.E.,
Offg. Secretary to the Government of India.

To

The Secretary to the Government of Madras,
Home (Education) Department.

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Sir,

(H)

I am directed to reply to your letter no.613, dated
the 2nd June 1916, enclosing a memorial from Mr. N.D.Daru
recently Professor of Geology at the Presidency College,
Madras.

2. It is observed that His Excellency in Council
considers that the period of probation must be regarded as
having continued until final orders are passed. The Govern-
ment of India do not propose to examine this question in
reference to the present case and would only remark that
it is not stated in the letter above quoted whether legal
advice has been taken in the matter. At the same time the
two facts remain that notice of the termination of Mr.
Daru's service was communicated to him after the expiry of
his probationary period and that until the termination of
the war there can be no recruitment of a professor of
geology from England. It is proposed in your letter no.311,
dated the 6th March 1917, to postpone the question of the
recruitment of such an officer until the termination of the
war.

(K)

3. In view of these two facts the Government of
India would suggest for the consideration of His Excellency
in Council whether they would care to re-employ Mr. Daru
for the space of one year, it being clearly understood by
him that his probationary period in the Indian Educational
Service dates only from the commencement of this new appointment

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should it be approved and cannot be regarded as continuous with the period which he has already completed. The new period would also be regarded strictly as a period of probation and it would be open to the local Government to terminate Mr. Daru's tenure of the appointment in question at the close of it if he again failed to give satisfaction.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

K. D. Singh

Offg. Secretary to the Government of India.

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Home Education Dept

CNo. 2808A from the Govt. of India, Dept. of Education
No. 735 of 29.8.17

Subject Re-employment of Mr. N. D. Datta
as Professor of Geology in the Presidency College

For the circumstances in which Mr. Datta's
probation was terminated and his services ~~for~~
replaced at the disposal of the Geological
Survey Department, please see pages 2 to 5 of
notes to G.O. no. 405 Edl, dated the 8th April 1916.
Submitted that the current letter from the
Govt. of India suggesting his re-employment
may be referred to the D.P.D. in the
first instance for remarks.

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2. The essential point to be considered
is whether it is desirable to reconsider
the decision already arrived at that
the Professorship of Geology in the Presi-
-dency College should be filled by an officer
specially recruited in England.

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Not exact.

We have indicated for a special officer
but cannot obtain one ~~for~~ account
of the war. Meanwhile I believe
some makeshift arrangements
are in force.

The question is whether in default of getting a professor from England which alternative is better

To continue the existing arrangements whatever they be or

To re-entertain for a year Prof Daru (of whom we have already had experience)?

I remember the D.P.D. noting in some other action - reemployment of disabled soldiers - that he would be glad to secure some one strong in Geology.

My 10/9/17

D. P. D. (10/9)

Sir Sankar has spoke here about this attitude & I said that although I refused that there had been some irregularity in the manner of terminating W. Carr's position I should be most reluctant to have him back. I also had a conversation with Sir Thomas Stansfeld about him and how that he has nothing to do with the Survey of India he was very frank in advising me by no means to support Carr's reemployment. He said he did no work because he was always fully occupied with his finances. His of course is our experience. W. Haydon wrote on 4

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7. Ref. 405 near between the line
shows that in sending him to Maras
they sent the man they could spare just
as they did before and always would do.
As regards his work I asked Mr
Allen why he recommended his retention
and he said that he had no positive
evidence of inefficiency and no means of
judging of his efficiency and therefore
made a formal recommendation. I
had myself the greatest difficulty in
persuading him that he ought to do
what he could to improve the geological
work in the office even while he was on
probation. He seemed to work with
difficulty the obvious fact that
his retention would depend on his zeal.
His evidence of the latter never came to my
notice.

I don't know whether this plan of
a further probation has been worked
to him. It is difficult to suppose
he would welcome it. I am
quite satisfied to let things be as they
are in the ^{Geological} Presiding
Department till after the war.

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Home (Education) Department

For orders whether the Director's suggestion not to re-employ Mr. Daru, and to let ~~things continue~~ the present arrangement in the College to continue till the close of the war maybe approved and the Govt. of India informed accordingly.

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he may accept the D.P.D. recommendation. In the face of his opinion & of what happened before it may not be advisable to take in Mr. Daru & that on probation.

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Draft. We have carefully considered the question and in view of Mr. Daru's past work do not consider it advisable to re-employ him. ^{We have made temporary arrangements for the loss of Daru & his family} We are quite satisfied to let things be as they are till the termination of the war.

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A draft letter to India is submitted for approval

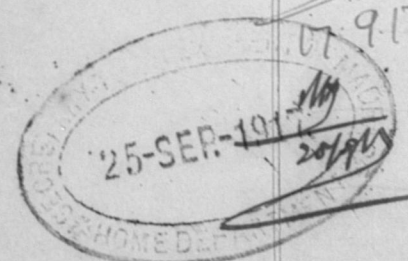
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Mr. N. D. Daru

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of — as Professor of Geology in the Presidency College, Madras,
on probation for one year.

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No. 1233, dated 25-9. 1917.

The following reply will be sent
to the Government of India.

Letter. No. 1234 of 25-9. 17

To

The Secretary to the Government of
India.
Department of Education.

Sir,

I am directed to acknowledge the
receipt of your letter, No. 735, dated the
29th August 1917 suggesting the re-employ-
ment of Mr. N.D. Daru as Professor of
Geology in the Presidency College, Madras
on probation for one year.

2. In reply, I am to state that the
Governor in Council has given his careful
consideration to the suggestion

but regrets he is unable to entertain it
 in view of Mr. Daru's past work as
 Professor in this Presidency and the
 discontent which he frequently exhibited
 in respect of his position in the ser-
 vice. I am to add that the Local Govt.
 have made temporary arrangements for the
 teaching of Geology in the College and are
 quite satisfied to let the arrangements
^{continue}
~~continue~~ till the termination of the
 war.

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