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[Despatch Abstract.]

Government Museum.-

Replying to a reference from the Resident at
Hyderabad regarding the proposed deputation of Mr. T.
Strinivas, Curator of the Hyderabad Museum to study the
methods obtaining in the Madras -----

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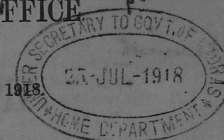
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POLITICAL OFFICE



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From

The Hon'ble Sir Stuart FRASER, K.C.S.I., C.I.E.,

Resident at Hyderabad.

To

The Chief Secretary to the
Government of Madras.

Dated Hyderabad Residency, the 22nd July 1918.

Sir,

His Exalted Highness the Nizam's Government have appointed one Mr. T. Strinivas, Barrister-at-Law, as Curator of the Hyderabad Museum, on the condition that he first gains experience at some important museums in British India. To begin with they propose to establish the following sections in Hyderabad:-

- (1) Archaeological,
- (2) Fine Arts,
- (3) Industrial and Economic, and
- (4) Geological.

2. Sir John Marshall, Director-General of Archaeology in India, has arranged for the deputation of Mr. Strinivas so far as the Archaeological section is concerned, but as regards the other sections His Exalted Highness' Government desire that arrangements may be made with the Museums at Calcutta, Madras, Lahore and Jaipur to afford him the necessary facilities in studying the following matters:-

- (a) The collection and selection of exhibits.

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- (b) The grouping and the distribution of exhibits to the various sections and galleries.
- (c) The methods of exhibition with particular regard to furniture, light, situation etc..
- (d) The cataloguing of exhibits for the benefit of students.
- (e) The system of administration obtaining in the various museums.

3. Mr. Srinivas will stay for a period of three months at the Calcutta Museum and for about a fortnight at each of the other museums.

4. I have the honour to request that you will kindly let me know whether arrangements can be made for Mr. Srinivas's deputation to the museum at Madras to study the methods obtaining there.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

M. Srinivas
For Resident.

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Home (Education) DEPARTMENT

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Stating that all possible assistance will be given to Mr. Strinivas during his visit to Madras.

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From (Name) J.R. Henderson, Esq; C.I.E., M.B., C.M.
(Designation) Superintendent, Government Museum, Madras.
To The Secretary to the Government of Madras,
Home (Education) Department.

Sir,

With reference to Home (Education) Department Endorsement No. 1565 B-1 dated 31st July 1918, I have the honour to state that I shall be pleased to render Mr. J. Strinivas, Curator of the Hyderabad Museum, all possible assistance during his visit to Madras. As there is a likelihood of his taking leave in the immediate future

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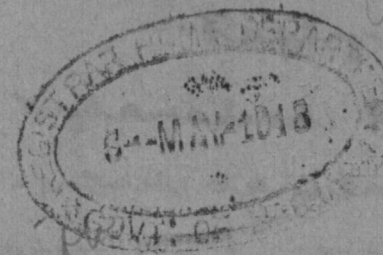
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The deputation of Mr. T.

Mr. Strinivasan, B.A. - at Madras,
 Director of the Hyderabad Museum,
 to study the methods
 obtaining in the Madras
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 to state that arrangements
 have been made
 to render Mr. Strinivasan
 all possible assistance during
 his stay at Madras, and
 that the permanent Supt.
 of the Madras Museum is likely
 to proceed on short leave
 in the immediate future,
 it would be desirable if
 Mr. Strinivasan's visit
 to Madras takes place after
 the beginning of October
 and not later than March
 1919, at the end of which
 month the permanent
 Supt. is expected to return.

I have the
 honor to be,
 Sir,
 Yours faithfully,
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REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

NOTES CONNECTED WITH G.O. No. 1093, REVENUE, DATED
 19TH MARCH 1918

[SUBJECT.—Revision of the Public Service and Special Test notifications.]

HOME (EDUCATION) DEPARTMENT.

EXTRACT FROM THE NOTES TO G.O. No. 1492, HOME (EDUCATION),
 DATED 26TH NOVEMBER 1917.

The simplification of special tests is one of the subjects which were left over for
 separate consideration when general orders regarding the Public Service and Special
 Tests notifications were passed—cf. paragraph 2 of G.O. No. 1021, Home (Education),
 dated the 6th August 1917.

2. The points referred to by the Secretary are dealt with below:—

(1) *Nature of special tests, subjects, etc.*—Article 1 of the Special test
 notification gives a list of the special tests prescribed for the several offices, and
 article 5 deals with the scope of the examination in each of these subjects. The
 schedule appended to the notification gives the offices or appointments in the public
 service for which they have been from time to time prescribed by the Government.
 Recently the opinion has been expressed that some of the existing tests are unneces-
 sarily elaborate and that the number of appointments for which others are prescribed
 might safely be curtailed (paragraph 4 of G.O. No. 969, Home (Education), dated
 13th September 1916). The remarks of heads of departments who were consulted on
 the point will be found summarized on pages 10-11 of the notes to G.O. No. 1021,
 Home (Education), dated the 6th August 1917. Of these the following are in the
 direction of simplifying the tests:—

(a) *General.*—It was stated by Mr. Young, the Superintendent of Stationery,
 that greater importance should be assigned to the papers that have to be answered
 with the aid of books which might be made longer than the papers "without books"
 and allotted twice the marks. Mr. Schmidt however would allow candidates to use
 books throughout in answering question papers. It is for consideration whether
 Mr. Schmidt's suggestion may be approved.

(b) *Criminal Judicial test.*—Mr. Innes, the Second Presidency Magistrate,
 and the Board of Revenue, Land Revenue, would take away Medical Juris-
 prudence from the list of subjects for the
 Criminal Judicial test. There seems no objection to the acceptance of this suggestion.

(c) *Revenue test.*—The Second Presidency Magistrate thought that it was
 unnecessary to set a separate paper on the
 stamp, income-tax and excise manuals for
 the Revenue test, but that the Acts
 embodied in these manuals might be included in the list of Revenue Acts and
 Regulations prescribed for that test. That officer also recommended the omission of
 the Special Funds Code and the Manuals of Village and Taluk Accounts from the
 list of subjects for the Revenue test. If this is agreed to there will be only two main
 subjects of examination; viz., Revenue Acts and Regulations and the Board's Stand-
 ing Orders, for the Revenue test as against the present seven subjects.

Orders are requested whether the above suggestion will be approved.

(d) *Précis-writing test*.—There is a general consensus of opinion that this test may be abolished altogether. It is for orders whether the Government will agree to this proposal.

(2) *Qualifying tests (Article 3 of the Public Service notification)*.—On page 11 of the notes to G.O. No. 1021, Home (Education), dated the 6th August 1917, the Secretary observed as follows:—

“Article 3 of the Public Service notification which prescribes qualifying tests is a voluminous article and I think ought to be considered and overhauled in consultation with the offices concerned.”

It may be noted that the opinions of heads of departments on this question have already been obtained and these will be found summarised on pages 10–11 of the notes to the above Government Order. It is for consideration whether it will suffice if relevant extracts of such opinions are taken and forwarded to the administrative departments concerned separately for remarks. In that case a separate u.o. note and a tabular form exhibiting the points at issue and the opinions of heads of departments thereon will be prepared and submitted for approval.

(3) *Sub-committee's report*.—In the sub-committee's report—page 3 of notes to G.O. No. 1492, Home (Education), dated 26th November 1917, two alternative schemes are put forward—(i) complete abolition of the special tests and the substitution in their place of special periods of training in various branches of administrative work to be given to selected men, these periods being followed by probationary periods of actual service during which the men's work would be specially watched. The Hon'ble Sir Robert Clegg has also appended a note indicating several serious practical objections to the above scheme and the Hon'ble Sir Alexander Cardew seems also very reluctant to adopt it. It does not therefore seem necessary to proceed with the further examination of this point and refer it to the Board of Revenue for their remarks. Further this scheme is defective since it does not take into consideration the requirements of departments other than the Revenue Department.

The alternative scheme, viz., the one for the simplification of special tests and the reduction of their scope appear to commend itself to the Hon'ble Sir Robert Clegg and the Hon'ble Sir Alexander Cardew. A few suggestions in this direction have been dealt with in paragraph 2 (1) ante. It is for consideration whether the suggestion in paragraph 13 of the note by Messrs. Campbell and Stokes may be communicated to the Board of Revenue and they be asked to submit a revised syllabus for the Revenue and the Criminal Judicial tests. The syllabus for the remaining tests hardly calls for any change.

E.A.V.—3–9–17.

T.K.—5–9–17.

So far as special tests and the orders regulating their prescription are concerned, Educational collate them and issue the orders in respect of them. The *initial* examination of the question of the desirability of prescribing special tests or simplifying them is made in the administrative departments. It is

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therefore submitted that the papers may be circulated to the departments with the request that they will consider (1) which of the special tests should be simplified or abolished, (2) to which of the appointments under them the special tests should be prescribed, (3) whether the powers of exemption exercised by the officers under them should be modified and if so why. The question of substituting special training and probation for special tests proposed by Messrs. Campbell and Stokes relates chiefly to appointments under the Revenue Department and has therefore primarily to be considered in that department. I agree, and probably after the Collectors' conference report is received, It is doubtful whether Educational can further examine the questions at this stage.

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C. RAMANUJA ACHARIYAR—12–9–17.

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

Please see the Home (Education) Department note above. The following questions have to be considered so far as the special tests concerning the Revenue Department are concerned:—

- (1) which of the special tests may be simplified or abolished;
- (2) for which of the appointments in the Revenue Department the special tests should be prescribed;
- (3) whether the powers of exemption exercised by the officers under this department should be modified; and
- (4) whether the special training and probation proposed by Messrs. Campbell and Stokes may be substituted for the special tests (a) Revenue test (Higher and Lower grades), (b) Criminal Judicial test (Higher and Lower grades) and Account test.

The above questions are noted on below, so far as the several departments under Revenue are concerned.

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This case (which from the first appears to have been rather unmanageable) has been further complicated by the introduction of a new issue namely, the proposals of Messrs. Campbell and Stokes and of the Committee which considered the question of special tests during the last Collectors' Conference.

2. I gather from the Home Department note above that the intention is to transfer the report of the Committee to Revenue for disposal. Messrs. Campbell and Stokes themselves asked that their scheme should be referred to Collectors for remarks (vide paragraph 3 on page 4 of the notes to G.O. No. 1492, Home

We have already lost six months. Will the Secretary kindly separate paragraphs 1 and 2 and re-submit soon to me for separate note. I have passed orders below on the two self-contained points.

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(Education), dated 26th November 1917) and this should, I think, be done at once.

3. In the meantime it will considerably simplify matters if orders are now passed in connexion with two points which are self-contained. The first is in regard to the Survey and Settlement departments which stand on a somewhat different footing from the rest of the Revenue Department. The second is in regard to the *translation* and *Précis-writing* tests which are not affected by Messrs. Campbell and Stokes' proposals. I have therefore removed a large volume of somewhat inadequate notes from this file and now submit only those relating to these points.

4. So far as the Revenue Department is concerned the *Translation test (lower grade)* is required of the following (pages 93–94 of the Public Service Examinations pamphlet).

Sarishtadar.	} In Collectors' offices.
English head clerk.	
Vernacular head clerk.	
Record-keepers.	
Tahsildars.	
Deputy tahsildars.	
Divisional office head clerks.	
District Forest office clerks over Rs. 50.	
Taluk head-accountants and sarishtadars.	
Clerks on Rs. 80 and upwards in the Revenue Secretariat.	
Translators in Collectors' offices, and all appointments (not being Secretariat appointments) to which salaries of Rs. 50 and upwards are attached in the office of the Board of Revenue (an entry which I do not quite understand).	
Translators in the office of the Board of Revenue.	

5. As regards district appointments it will be seen from paragraph 5 (iii) of the Board's proceedings at page 40 of G.O. No. 1021, Home (Education), dated 6th August 1917, that, as Collector of the Nilgiris, I proposed the abolition of this test for members of the Revenue Department with certain exceptions. The Board accepted this recommendation and proposed to dispense with the Translation test in the case of persons serving in a district the vernacular of which is their mother tongue. I do not think I need enlarge on this recommendation. It may be that to abolish the

Translation test would result in our clerks gradually losing the small facility for reading vernacular manuscripts in their own language which they now possess. But so far as this point is concerned if we want by means of this test to encourage the reading of vernacular manuscripts we should insist on it as a qualification not for the higher appointments but for the lower ones.

Quite so. The existing rules are quite wrong and merely represent one item in an "obstacle race."

A.G.C.—21-2-18.

6. The application of the Translation test (lower) to clerks on Rs. 80 and upwards in the Revenue Secretariat evidently has reference to the fact that that same test is required as a qualification for the deputy tahsildar's post. If, as I recommend, it is abolished for the latter it may also be abolished in the case of the Secretariat clerks. The post of translator in the Collector's office has now disappeared except in Ganjam.

I think we may leave it to the Collector to deal with individual cases. He will probably know whether it is necessary for any individual to pass the test. Probably it will be usually unnecessary.

A. G. C[ARDEW]—21-2-18.

Similarly the Board can deal with individual cases.

A.G.C.—21-2-18.

7. The formula used by the Board in its recommendation namely, that the test should no longer be required in the case of persons serving in a district *the vernacular* of which is their mother tongue—leaves out of account the districts which have more than one vernacular. I do not think that this matters. Even as it is, clerks in the bilingual districts have the choice of applying for this test in either of the languages and as they would usually appear for it in their mother tongue their position, if the test is abolished, will be just as it is now. If the Board's proposal is accepted it may be made clear that the exemption applies in bilingual districts to any person whose mother tongue is either of the recognized languages.

A. R. KNAPP—21-2-18.

I think that orders may at once issue abolishing the liability, in respect of any office in the Revenue Department, to have passed the Translation test, lower grade, unless required to do so by the head of the office on the ground that the individual officer in question has an inadequate acquaintance with the vernacular language of the district in which he is employed. It will then be open to a Collector, divisional officer, or tahsildars, etc., to say that a particular clerk must pass the Translation test and to decline to promote him until he does so, but in the absence of a definite order applicable to that officer individually, there will be no obligation to pass.

2. The above will apply only to the Revenue Department, including the Revenue Secretariat and the Board of Revenue,* and orders can issue therefore without consulting all other departments.

3. Items numbered (3) Deputy Collectors and (7) Unconvenanted Assistants Board of Revenue may at the same time be struck out of the list of offices for which the *Precis-writing* test is prescribed.

4. When the Government Order carrying out the above has issued, will the Secretary kindly send me a copy of it with the note files so that I may consider whether any further steps are required in regard to the Translation and *Precis* tests. It is only by attacking the problem in detail that any progress can be attained. If one attempts to deal with a particular special test as a whole it affects so many departments that it gets stuck in inter-departmental discussions.

A. G. C[ARDEW]—21-2-18.

2. *Settlement, Survey and Land Records departments.*—Questions (1) and (2) at page 3 ante—

(a) *Settlement Department.*—There are no special tests in force in the Settlement Department and no action is therefore necessary so far as this department is concerned.

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(b) *Survey and Land Records Departments.*—In these departments there are certain tests in force. They are shown in the statements below:—

Office or appointment.		Land Records Department.	
		Tests.	Syllabus.
(1) Clerks in the offices of Director of Land Records and Land Records Superintendents.	Revenue draftsman's test.	1. Construction of scales—simple and diagonal. 2. Traverse and protractor plotting. 3. Plotting fields and computing areas. 4. Plotting village map. 5. Testing plotting of village maps and locating errors. 6. Inking field boundaries. 7. Typing field numbers. 8. Area computation with computing scales. 9. Printing names and inserting topographical details. 10. Comparison of field and village boundaries and side measurements. 11. Colouring. 12. Tracing maps. (vide G.O. No. 900, dated 30th March 1908).	
(2) Land Records and Town Surveyors.	(1) Deputy Surveyor's test.	1. Arithmetic up to decimal fractions and square root. 2. Hand-writing and dictation. 3. The book entitled 'Land Surveying for karnams.' 4. Select chapters of the Survey Manual regarding rules for initial surveys and resurveys, etc.	
	(2) A test in theodolite survey to be conducted by the Land Records Superintendents.		
Survey Department.			
Draftsman and computer-draftsman.	Revenue draftsman's test.	Vide remarks against clerks in the offices of the Director of Land Records and Land Records Superintendents.	
Field Surveyors	Field Surveyor's test.	1. Arithmetic up to vulgar fractions and square root. 2. Hand-writing and dictation. 3. The whole of the book entitled 'land surveying for village karnams.' 4. Certain select chapters of the Survey Manual. Vide remarks against Deputy Surveyor's test above. (1) Arithmetic. (2) Mensuration. (3) Trigonometry (solution of plane triangles). (4) Survey Manual (whole book excepting certain portions).	
Deputy Surveyors	Deputy Surveyor's test.		
Head Surveyors and Sub-Assistants.	Head Surveyors and Sub-Assistant's tests.		

In paragraph 6 of its Proceedings No. 582, dated 12th March 1917 (page 37 of G.O. No. 1021, Home (Education), dated 6th August 1917), the Board in the Settlement Department has expressed the view that no alterations in the tests are called for. The Board has, however, omitted therein to refer to the Sub-Assistant's and Head Surveyor's test which was formally recognized by Government in 1916 (paragraph 5, page 11 of G.O. No. 587, dated 14th March 1916). Certain amendments to this test are separately under consideration in the file relating to the amendments to the Survey Manual. It would appear that the syllabuses quoted on page 5 ante are not too high for the several tests. A fair amount of proficiency is necessary on the part of the subordinates' test owing to inaccurate measurement or plotting work should have to be done again in the field involving loss of time and money. In the circumstances Government may, it is submitted, agree with the Board that the tests referred to by the Board may be continued without alteration. The case of the Sub-Assistant and head Surveyor's test will be disposed of separately in due course.

G.H.J.—26-1-18.

A.R.K.—4-2-18.

A. G. C.—21-2-18.

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With regard to the Sub-Assistant and Head Surveyor's test, the question in the linked file is not concerned with the simplification of the present test but with the addition of a practical test and the inclusion of two extra hand books in the subjects for the written examination.

As the linked file deals with amendments to the Survey Manual and involves the question of exemptions which will have to follow the decision arrived at in the present file, it appears better to get orders passed on the present current first. For

the reason explained at CC above it seems unnecessary to dispose at this stage of that section of the linked file which refers to the Sub-Assistant and Head Surveyors' test.

G. H. JACKSON—26-1-18.

(e) Exemptions.—In paragraph 4 of its Proceedings on page 36 of G.O. No. 1021, Home (Education), dated 6th August 1917, the Board recommends that the Directors of Survey and Land Records and Special Settlement Officers may be authorized to employ unpassed candidates in acting and sub. *pro tem*. vacancies when the total duration of the vacancy does not exceed twelve months and when the sanctioned pay of the appointment is not more than Rs. 30 per mensem. The Directors of Survey and Land Records now exercise similar powers in the case of appointments the sanctioned pay of which is not more than Rs. 25 per mensem. The proposed extension of the powers to appointments not exceeding Rs. 30 per mensem may, it is submitted, be accepted.

The Board gives no reason for raising the limit to Rs. 30. If the reference suggested on page 15 is made, this point might also be included.

As regards the proposal to invest the Special Settlement Officers with similar powers, it is submitted that hitherto they had the power to employ unpassed candidates as acting and sub. *pro tem* classifiers without limit of time. There seems, however, to be no objection to accepting the Board's proposal to vest the Special Settlement Officers with the same extent of power as proposed for the Directors of Survey and Land Records.

A.R.K.—4-2-18.

Some such power appears necessary for Settlement Officers as large temporary* staffs have often to be employed at short notice. Classifiers rarely classify and the settlement office might therefore come into line with Director of Survey and of Land Records.

* But see below. The Board apparently proposes to allow all temporary settlement staff to be unpassed.

A.R.K.—4-2-18.

In this connexion it may be noted that the Board (Settlement Department), has stated the following appointments should continue to be exceptions to article 1 of the Public Service Notification as has been the case hitherto (paragraph 2 of Board's Proceedings on page 36 of G.O. No. 1021, Home (Education), dated 6th August 1917).—

- (1) Classifiers in the Revenue Settlement parties;
(2) photo-lithographers, plate correctors, field surveyors, deputy surveyors
A draftsmen, computer-draftsmen, mechanics and compositors of the Survey Department; and
(3) temporary appointments in the survey and settlement parties.

Head classifiers who have been exempt hitherto from article 1 of the Public Service Notification with the sanction of the Commissioner are however to be required to possess the secondary school certificate or some equivalent qualification.

In the notes connected with the amendments to the Survey Manual the Secretary (Education Department) has noted as follows:—

"The administrative department will doubtless consider in due course whether the list of sanctioned exemptions does not require revision in view of the latest orders (a) the school final certificate is held by a host of pupils, (b) it ensures a certain amount of previous discipline (c) the education test involved therein is not very high and is the minimum for general clerical work, (d) if exemptions be freely ordered the recent orders will not be very effective, (e) individuals may be exempted in deserving cases, without whole classes being exempted."

The difficulty in securing the services of passed men in the survey and settlement departments would appear to be mainly due to the fact that the number of permanent appointments in the subordinate ranks is limited and that the majority of the establishment is borne on the temporary establishment (cf. G.O. No. 1737, dated 15th June 1917). However, it is submitted that with reference to the suggestion of the Home Secretary the Board's remarks may be called for as to whether the list of permanent exemptions in the Survey and Settlement Departments is susceptible of any modification (cf. paragraph 4, page 4 of G.O. No. 3407, dated 22nd November 1913).

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G. H. JACKSON—26-1-18.

Seeing that only a school-leaving certificate is now required as the general educational qualification, I would without further reference negative the proposal to extend the powers of exemption of the Directors of Survey and Land Records beyond Rs. 25 (paragraph 1 (1), page 42 of G.O. No. 1021, Education, dated 6th August 1917). That is quite high enough for the 'unpassed' candidate to go in the ordinary course. Settlement Officers might, I think, have power to exempt up to Rs. 25 as proposed by the Board (paragraph 4 of Board's Proceedings on page 36 of G.O. No. 1021, Education, dated 6th August 1917).

As regards the exceptions to article 1 of the Public Service notification, I would accept the Board's proposal to maintain the *status quo* as set out at A above.

A. R. KNAPP—4-2-18.

Yes. The object which I have had in view all along has not been to tamper with the general educational qualification required for entry to the service of Government which is an essential thing but to remove some of the obstacles which, in the shape of special tests, stand in the way of the promotion of men after they have entered Government service and which prevent free promotion by merit and substitute promotion on the basis of a set of examinations constructed on the model of a jigsaw puzzle.

A. G. C[ARDEW]—21-2-18.

A draft order is submitted for approval. It may issue with the concurrence of Home (Education) Department. Financial (Separate Revenue) may also see the draft

order as items 16 and 21 under Translation Test (Lower) on pages 93-94 of the abstract of the rules relating to Public service examinations are applicable to the Board of Revenue (Separate Revenue).

2. With reference to the Honourable Member's marginal remarks on page 3 ante above extracts of paragraphs 1 and 2 of the Secretary's notes at pages 3-4 ante have been taken and a file made up and submitted separately.

3. A proof copy of the Government Order and notes will be submitted to Honourable Member with reference to paragraph 4 of the Honourable Member's notes on page 4 ante.

A.R.K.—1-3-18.

4. The order has been marked for Editors' table (cf. G.O. No. 1021, dated 6th August 1917).

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G. H. JACKSON—28-2-18.

A. R. KNAPP—1-3-18.

HOME (EDUCATION) DEPARTMENT.

It is submitted that when the reference at 'A' on page 2 ante was issued the intention appears to have been to obtain the views of all the Secretariat Departments and issue a consolidated order in this section. The replies to the reference could not be had as early as could be desired and Honourable Member (Revenue) has also ordered that piecemeal orders may be issued (page 13 of notes to G.O. No. 1492, Home (Education), dated the 26th November 1917). The draft order put up by Revenue may, in the circumstance, be accepted.

2. The main file about Special Test examinations which was lying over pending receipt of reply from Revenue has now been taken up and is submitted separately.

This case may now be passed on to Financial (Separate Revenue) u.o.

E.A.V.—9-3-18.

C.R.—12-3-18.

C. RAMANUJA ACHARIYAR—13-3-18.

Very well.

L. D. SWAMIKANNU—14-3-18.

FINANCIAL (SEPARATE REVENUE) DEPARTMENT.

With reference to Revenue notes above it is submitted that clerks on Rs. 50 and above in the office of the Board of Revenue (Separate Revenue) are required to pass Test E (Linguistic) of the special tests applicable to officers in the Salt, Abkari and Customs Department and not the Translation Test (Lower grade)—please see pages 93 (item 16) and 113 (paragraph V) of the green pamphlet put up. There are also no 'Translators' in the Separate Revenue branch of the Board. The file may be returned to the Revenue Department.

S.S.—16-3-18.

The Board was recently consulted on the subject of simplifying or abolishing the Salt departmental tests and of revising the list of officers for whom they were prescribed, and it reported that no change was necessary. The Government agreed with the Board. Since the Revenue Department have decided to dispense with the Translation Test (Lower) as a necessary qualification for appointments in that department, it may be considered whether Salt Test E (Linguistic) should be insisted on at least in the case of clerks in the Salt, Abkari and Customs Department, including the office of the Board of Revenue (Separate Revenue). If action in this direction is to be taken the Revenue Department may be requested to communicate to this department a copy of the present order (with notes).

K.C.V.—16-3-18.

Draft accepted.

D. N. STRATHIE—16-3-18.

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

Submitted for orders as to issue of the draft order.

2. An addition has been made to the despatch entry at the foot of the draft order with reference to the Separate Revenue note at A above.

S.K.—18-3-18.

K.S.N.—18-3-18.

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G. H. JACKSON—19-3-18.

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