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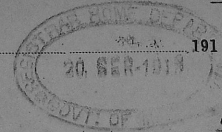
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HOME (EDUCATION)

DEPARTMENT.

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Subject.

Submitting a Memorial from S. S. Krishnaswami, 10 Swami Pillai Street, Triplicane, Madras, requesting to declare him eligible for University course of study.

ENCLOSURES

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NAC No. 6538/18

Station Madras, Dated the 18th September 1918.

From (Name) H. S. Duncan Esq., M.A.,

(Designation) Ag. Director of Public Instruction, MADRAS.

To The Secretary to the Government of Madras,
HOME (EDUCATION) Department.

Sir,

Submitted to Government for favour of orders.

2. As regards the concessions already sanctioned in favour of I. D. F. men, attention is invited to C. O. No. 1498, Home (Education) dated 26th November 1917 in which Government have sanctioned a temporary regulation extending the period within which undergraduates who join the I.D.F. may appear for the B.A. (Honours) Degree.

Naam.
for Director of Public Instruction.

9/18/19.
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Madras, 25th July 1918.

From

S.S.Krishnaswami,

10 Swami Pillai Street,

Triplicane, Madras.

To

THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION,

M A D R A S.



Sir,

In submitting herewith a memorial addressed by me to the Chief Secretary to Government, I beg to state as follows:-

You were so kind as to recommend my individual case along with three others to the Syndicate for inclusion in the "eligible" list; but I was not so fortunate as to come out with final success. My prospects now are even gloomier. I hear from the military authorities that during the present year also, I would be called away on military duty for 3½ months, and I leave it to you to judge whether with only 4½ months left for me for preparing for the examination, and with new text books to study in English, Tamil, Vernacular Composition, and History, I would be in a better position to cope with the course. Further, I do not know whether in the course of the discussion of the eligibility of some S.S.L.C. holders who are members of the Indian Defence Force, certain broad principles were taken into consideration. In the Intermediate and B.A. Examinations students might appear for the examination by parts; and hence the I.D.F. student who had appeared for those examinations might greatly profit thereby, since ^{he} ~~they~~ can appear for only one part; whereas in the case of ~~the~~ S.S.L.C. students, even the concession hitherto allowed of being judged by the best of performances in different subjects in previous years was refused this year even in the case of the I.D.F. student. For the B.A. Honours Examination, I.D.F. candidates are allowed to appear for the preliminary examination in English at any time instead of in the first year as in the case of others; the rule that

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Honours students cannot appear more than once for the examination is also relaxed in their case. No concession is allowed in the case of S.S.L.C. students at all, and my educational career is marred because I happen to join the I.D.F. In these circumstances I appeal to you if it is not bare justice whether in case no such concession as is suggested in para 6 of my memorial is allowed to me I should at least be prevented from being taken off on military duty this year also much to the detriment of my studies.

I beg to remain,

S i r,

Your most obedient servant,

S.S. Krishnaswami

From

S.S. Krishnaswami,

10, Swami Pillai Street,

Triplicane.

To

The Chief Secretary To Government,

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Through

The Director of Public Instruction,

Madras.

Honoured Sir,

The humble memorial of S.S. Krishnaswami, a member of the Indian Defence Force, who had appeared for the last S.S.L.C. Public Examination, most respectfully sheweth:--

1. That your memorialist, while studying last year in the C.R.C. High School, Purasawalkam, out of a deep sense of loyalty, joined the Indian Defence Force, and gave his name for training in ^{the} third batch - which commences from the 15th of April 1918 only, after the date of the Public Examination; but the military authorities issued a warrant that he should be trained in the first batch itself, i.e., from October last 1917 up to the middle of January 1918, and as a consequence he had to lose 2½ out of 8 months of his precious time of preparing for the Examination.

2. That even in spite of it, he appeared for and got the following percentage of marks in A. and C Group subjects at the Public Examination.

English	47	History	65
Elementary	} 33 (moderated marks 42);	Tamil	21
Mathematics			
Vernacular			
Composition			
Translation	41		

Though he had thus got 47 and 65 marks in English and History respectively, he was declared ineligible for admission to University courses of study because he did not get 12 marks more in Tamil--a subject he is not going

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to take up for the Intermediate course and failure even in which is due to the following causes.

Even in the Examination of 1917, supplementary candidates were judged by the best of their performances in the different subjects in previous years; and hence when he was ordered to join the first batch of the Indian Defence Force, since he had got 42 marks in Tamil the previous year, trusting that the rule would be in force this year also, he gave the Headmaster of his school intimation that Tamil might be omitted from the list of subjects he would bring up for the Examination. Only on his return from ~~train~~ ^{work} training in January 15th, did he become aware of the new rule. Thus he had but barely 2½ months' time to prepare for Tamil.

3. That your memorialist put in a petition stating all these facts to the Director of Public Instruction, Madras, who was so good as to take pity on ~~him~~ ^{them} -- poor members of the Indian Defence Force -- and to recommend him along with three others to the Syndicate which body seem, however, to have thrown out his recommendation.

4. That now memorialist has no other alternative but to appeal to Government in order that they might take pity on him and recommend him -- again for reconsideration to the Syndicate on the following grounds:--

(a) The memorialist hears from military authorities that during the current year also, members of the Indian Defence Force will be called for military duty for 4½ months within 24 hours' notice. Thus there would be left to him barely 3½ months' time to prepare for the next Examination. Since he could not then represent his grievances, the time being limited, he wants Government to be apprised of the circumstances beforehand, so that his grievances might be redressed.

(b) In the case of the Intermediate, B.A. and B.A. (Hons) Examinations, the course covers 2 and 3 years and the study would not be as much interrupted as in the case of the S.S.L.C. Examination which latter covers, strictly speaking, only 8 months and for which the Texts in the A2C group subjects vary from year to year. Further in the case of the Intermediate and B.A. Examinations, candidates may appear for the Examination by parts. Thus even if candidates owing to military training were prevented from appearing for the Examination in one year in both parts, they might appear for one part only and they might appear privately for the next part in the subsequent

subsequent year. In the case of the B.A.(Hons.) Examination also two concessions are allowed (i) I.D.F. candidates are allowed to appear for the Preliminary Examination in English at any time in the whole of their course instead of in the first year as in the case of the others (ii) the restriction that honours students should not appear more than once for the Examination is relaxed in the case of the I.D.F. men. No such concession is granted to S.S.L.C. holders and it is for Government to judge whether some concession-such as is mentioned in the last para of the ~~memorial~~ memorial--may not be given to them.

(c) Similar concessions to S.S.L.C. holders and Matriculates for admission to University Courses of study have been granted in the case of the Punjab and Calcutta Universities--please vide issue of the Madras Mail dated 23rd July 1918.

5. That your memorialist, although with the greatest difficulty, he persuaded his parents to consent to his joining the I.D.F. did not anticipate all these difficulties, but ~~he~~ ^{he} thought that the authorities -- would keep up to their promises to afford every reasonable facility for him, but now finds his lot pitiable simply because he joined the I.D.F.

6. In fine his prayer is: i) that the Syndicate may be asked by Government to reconsider their decision and declare him eligible for admission to University course of study since he fails for want of 1½ marks only in Tamil--a subject he is not going to take up for the Intermediate course and in which he had got good marks the previous year or ii) a reference may be ~~made~~ ^{made} by the ~~Chief~~ Commissioner for Government Examinations to the Chief Examiner in Tamil who may be asked ^{to state} whether he can be given only ~~only~~ 21 marks in that subject or iii) I.D.F. students may be classed along with female candidates and just as in the case of the latter, Heads of affiliated Colleges given the option of admitting these students to the Intermediate course on the ~~xx~~ merits of their certificates or iv) they may be given the privilege of being judged by the test of their performances in the different subjects in previous years also as was the practice hitherto. Failing all these, he would at least request Government not to allow him to be taken off on military duty during the current official year at least so that his studies may not be further disturbed on that

Your most obedient Servant,

Subject.

Concessions to S.S.T.C. holders who have undergone J.D.F. Training

Name (Ed.) Dept.

to 1979/8, from S.S. Krishnaswami, 25-7-48
Ends. of the D.P. 9, N.R.C. 6533/18, 18-7-48

One S.S. Krishnaswami who has undergone the S.S.T.C. course, but did not come up to the requirements of the Standard fixed by the Syndicate of the Univ. of Madras for admission to collegiate course of study, makes a request, inter alia, that he may be deemed eligible for collegiate study because his studies were interrupted by the J.D.F. Training.

A recommendation to the effect made by the J.P.S. on behalf of the memorialist and three others seems to have been taken out by the Syndicate which ^(on this point) controls the admn. of S.S.T.C. holders to colleges.

In support of the request the memorialist invites attention to similar concessions allowed by some of the other universities. From newspaper reports it does appear that the universities of the Punjab and Bombay have granted certain concessions though their nature is not clearly known. It however

para 6, p. 6, c. f.

para 3, p. 5 ibid

para 4(c), p. 6 ibid

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appears that such concessions apply only to Candidates proceeding to the University Ex. exam: In this Presidency also certain concessions have been sanctioned in favour of undergraduates. (Vote Dec. 14/98)

(A) Ed. 2, 26th Nov. (917). So as the S.S. to C. is concerned, it is a Post. Exam. and the chief feature of its course is the rigidity of the rule requiring satisfactory school attendance.

2. Assuming that, as a new measure, some concession can be shown, it is not a matter ^(in which) the Post. can, with propriety, interfere.

The initiative has to be taken by the D. P. D. and the Syndicate and, the question should be settled on its general bearings. Post. have all along avoided the attitude of directly dictating to the Syndicate.

For orders whether the case may be sent up to the D. P. D. for as marked as to whether there is any need for ^(relaxation of the) the rules for S. S. to. is in favour of D. P. D. trained men and if so whether he would arrange to bring up the proposition ^(before) to the Syndicate.

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To D.P.D. for remarks at "A"

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Public
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Do not see that anything can be done in the matter. It is not up to the petitioners to the Judiciary, the body has stated in reply that it is not proper to grant the Commission.

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Honey (Ed.)

A draft order declining to comply with the requests in paragraph of the memorial, (p. 6, c. 4) is subd. It is not likely that the petitioner's prayer for exemption from military duty will be considered independently. The draft may however go to Public for acceptance with reference to this point.

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Pub. Dgt.

With reference to the Educational Dgt note above it is subd. that questions relating to the Audien Branch of the D. S. F. are now dealt with in the Revenue (Special) Dgt & not in Pub. Dgt. & Res. (Special) Dgt will have

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to consider the question of
 exempting the student memorial
 from military duty,
 in the current year as requested
 by him. The case may, it is likely
 be passed on to Revenue (Spec)
 who will have also to consider
 whether
 the decision of the Syndicate is
 one that should be acquiesced
 in or whether it will not be
 good to sanction Conventions
 such as those reported to
 have been sanctioned in
 Bombay to students who are
 members of the 2nd. 7. & fail
 in an ~~exam~~ examination.

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 The Registrar
 of the University
 of the State of
 New York
 at Albany
 N.Y.

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10. 2. 1918
 The Registrar
 of the University
 of the State of
 New York
 at Albany
 N.Y.

The petitioner makes two requests ¹³

(1) that in view of the fact ^{that} his school course was interfered with by reason of his joining the I.D.F. first batch the deficiency of $1\frac{1}{2}$ marks in Tamil may be condoned and that he may be included in the list of persons eligible for promotion to the college -- classes, and

(2) that if this cannot be granted, he may not be taken off ~~to~~ military duty during the current official year so that his studies may not be further disturbed.

² ~~As~~ regards (1) he has obtained fairly good marks in all the subjects except Tamil and though Mr. Stone seems to have recommended to the Syndicate the petitioner's case, that body did not grant his request. It would appear from Newspaper articles that in the Punjab and other universities similar concessions are granted to students though the exact nature of the concession is not quite clear. The Home (Education) Department however state that they cannot interfere with the decision of the Syndicate and they propose to inform the petitioner accordingly. For orders ~~xxx~~ whether this decision will ^{be} acquiesced in in this department or whether in the interests of recruitment for this Branch, the Home Department may be requested at least to enquire why the Syndicate refused to ~~xxx~~ grant the not unreasonable request of the petitioner which was supported by the Director of Public Instruction.

³ ~~As~~ regards the second request we have no information as to whether the military authorities intend calling up the I.D.F. (Indian Branch) men who have already undergone training for a further period of training or for other duty during this year. For orders whether in view of the special circumstances

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connected with this case a letter may be sent to the
G.O.C. asking him to exempt this man from military
duty during the current official year in case it is
decided to call up the I.D.F. (Indian Branch)

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11.11.18

I think the applicant ought
certainly to be able to obtain
some consideration for the fact
that his studies were interrupted
by the I.D.F. training. But it
seems difficult to approach
the matter officially after the
Syndicate has declined to
intervene.

I have spoken to the Director
who tells me that he thinks
the Syndicate is prepared to
relax in unusual cases the
rules which govern the examination.
He says if I write to him direct -
- officially he will look into the
matter. - I hope he does, thank you.

He
15.11.18

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P.T.O.

D.O. No. 3683 R.B./18-1.



PROVINCIAL RECRUITING BOARD
Fort St. George, 15th Novr. 18

My dear Oldfield,

A representation has been received by Government from S. S. Krishnaswami, 10, Swami Pillai Street, -- Triplicane, and lately of the G.R.C. High School, Pura-sawalkam. He states that he joined the Indian Defence Force expecting only to be trained from the 15th April last but that he was called up instead from the middle of January, and as a consequence lost a good deal of the time available for preparation for his Secondary School Leaving Certificate Examination. The result was that he failed by 1½ marks in Tamil. He asks whether in the special circumstances anything can be done towards condoning this ^{very} small deficiency.

2. I gather that ^arepresentation has already been made to the Syndicate but without success.

3. As a case of this kind ~~is~~ is likely to discourage recruitment for the Indian Defence Force, I should be very much obliged if you could let me know anything as to the case and of the chances, if any, of its being possible to grant the applicant's request.

request.

Yours sincerely,

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15.8.18.

To
The Hon'ble Mr. Justice F.D.P. Oldfield,
I.C.S.

Via. Chancellor of the University of Madras.

Sepd.
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P.T.O.

PROVINCIAL RECRUITING BOARD, *C No. 3773 PNB*



SENATE HOUSE,
MADRAS,

19 November 1918

My dear Knapp

Yours of the 15th inst. has been received.

I have looked at the papers in the case of S. S. Krishnasami and find that it and other cases were considered by the Syndicate at the instance of the D.I.P. The Syndicate refused to add his and three other names to the list of those eligible for admission to colleges and, although no reasons are on record, it probably did so, because under

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University Regulations No 168(a) which
of S.S.L. Certificate may be admitted
to Colleges "subject to such rules
and directions as the Syndicate may
issue from time to time" and it
does not interpret this as obliging it
to issue directions in individual
cases, dispensing with existing rules.

I entirely agree with this interpretation
and see no prospect of any satis-
factory working of the system, if we
once begin entertaining personal ap-
peals based on special disabilities
or particular deficiencies in marks.
In these circumstances I cannot re-

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command you to address us officially.

I may add that the concessions
we have granted to candidates at
the intermediate or P.A. stage here,
I think, all been by way of exempting
from attendance and the like, not
by granting qualifications by lowering
the standards. The only suggestion I
can make to meet cases, such as
those you are concerned with, is that
Government should hold a supplementary
examination, though even so there
would probably be difficulty later
about keeping college times.

I see that in his petition to the
Syndicate S. S. Krishna Rao pleaded

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ignorance of the rule, describing
him as new, requiring him to qualify
in all subjects at the same exam-
ination. The Rule had been in
force for some years at the time in
question.

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Yours sincerely

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Lo Secretary

It would seem from the Hon^{ble}
Mr. Justice Oldfield's reply on pp 7-13
Supra that under the existing rules
the applicant's request cannot be
granted. For orders whether the draft
order will be accepted or whether, before
doing so, the military authorities may
be addressed as suggested in para 3
of this Dept's office note on pp 5-6 supra

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25.11.18

Draft may be accepted

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Home (D^y) Dept

The draft order may now issue

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LWS
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G. D. F. Krawinkel

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Declining to comply with the request of our S.S.
Katharine Searns that he may be developed eligible
for a university course in consideration of his

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READ ALSO:—

C. No. 1979 ^{memorandum} from the S. S. Krishnaswami Sastri, dated 25.7.1918.

"Sandr. of the D. P. G., N. R. C. 6533/18" 18-9-1918.

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ORDER.

No. 1518, dated 28-11-1918.

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The Goat: are unable
to ~~represent~~ ^{intercede} on behalf of the
memorialists ~~in a~~ ^{to} ~~quest~~

23.10.18
28.10.18

24.10.2018

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To S. S. Xanthopoulos,
10 Sycamore Hill St.,
Trenton, N. J.,
Copy to H. D. P. S.

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