

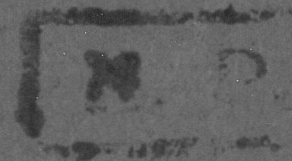
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READ—the following paper :—

Letter—from the Hon'ble Mr. H. SHARP, C.S.I., C.I.E., Secretary to the Government of India, Department of Education (Education).

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

Dated—Simla, the 25th September 1919.

No.—1053.

In continuation of this department letter No. 938, dated the 11th November 1918, I am directed to forward, for information and communication to the Provincial Advisory Committee, two copies of a further despatch from the Secretary of State No. 5, Public (Students), dated the 14th August 1919, on the subject of Indian students intending to proceed to England.

2. I am to invite special attention to paragraph 1 (1) of the despatch and to request that, if the Governor in Council has no objection, the advisability of the early nomination of the University scholars intending to join Oxford may be commended for the consideration of the University of Madras.

ENCLOSURE

Despatch—from His Majesty's Secretary of State for India.

To—His Excellency the Right Honourable the Governor-General of India in Council.

Dated—India Office, London, the 14th August 1919.

No.—5-Public (Students).

In section 1 of paragraph 2 of my despatch No. 6, Public (Students), dated 6th September 1918, regarding the report of a Conference of Secretaries of Provincial Advisory Committees for Indian Students, I undertook to communicate to the Vice-Chancellors of the Universities of Oxford and Cambridge the suggestions made in paragraph 8 of the Report regarding the date at which applications for the admission of Indian students should be sent to Oxford and Cambridge and the exclusion of Indians educated at schools in this country in computing the number of vacancies for Indians. Replies have now been received to the letters addressed to the Vice-Chancellors on the subject and I have to inform you as follows :—

(1) The Delegacy for Oriental Students at Oxford, to whom the matter was referred by the Vice-Chancellor, has decided that all applications from Indian students for admission to Oxford in 1920 should be in the hands of the Delegacy by April 1st and that this arrangement should hold for subsequent years unless altered upon further consideration. For Government of India scholars special arrangements will be made, but it is pointed out that the date at which the nomination of these scholars is at present declared is a serious handicap to their admission to Oxford and that it would be of considerable gain both to the scholars and the University if the appointments could be made much earlier in the academic year.

(2) The reply from Cambridge states that no difficulty has hitherto been found in arranging the admission of Government scholars, as an effort is always made to reserve a vacancy for any such scholar, of whose coming information is sent, without waiting for the receipt of full papers and testimonials; but it is pointed out that very few of the colleges will give an absolute promise of admission to any student until they have received the necessary certificates as to his qualifications and character.

(3) From neither University has any definite undertaking been received in reference to the proposal that Indian students educated at schools in this country should be excluded when computing the number of vacancies offered to Indians, and there is, I fear, little probability that the colleges would agree to make any general rule.

2. I should be glad if Your Excellency would inform the Advisory Committees of the replies that have been received.

Order—No. 1281, Home (Education), dated 21st October 1919.

Communicated to the Registrar, University of Madras, the Director of Public Instruction, and the Secretary, Madras Students' Advisory Committee.

2. The Syndicate of the University is requested to note the suggestion in paragraph 2 of the Government of India's letter.

(True extract)

R. RAMACHANDRA RAO,
Secretary to Government.

To the Registrar, University of Madras.
" Director of Public Instruction.
" Secretary, Students' Advisory Committee.
" Publicity Officer.

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