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Communicating to the Director of Public Instruction letter from the Government of India regarding general table VI of the educational statistics.

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Government of India,
Department of Education.
(Education)

Delhi, the

February 1919.

From

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

To

The Chief Secretary to the Govt. of Bihar & Orissa,
Education Department.

Sir,

I am directed to reply to your letter No. 83-E.P., dated the 2nd December 1918, regarding the general table VI of the educational statistics.

2. The test which has generally been applied for judging of the propriety of including the figures of any examination in this table is that the examination should denote the completion of a definite stage in a school course. The table is now headed 'prescribed examinations' and not 'public examination.' The collection of the figures regarding the three examinations stated in your letter is of practical value, especially in the case of the Upper and Lower Primary Examinations which, though they ordinarily consist only of a rough in situ test, nevertheless serve to show the number of pupils who have completed these stages. The Lower Primary stage is the only stage which many pupils in India ever complete. It has always been the practice to include these examinations so far as possible and it is thought that as the figures are probably in any case collected it will cause little or no trouble to report them. In these circumstances the Government of India would be glad if the practice were continued of including figures for these examinations.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

(Sd) H. Sharp,

Offg. Secretary to the Government of India.

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GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION
(Bihar and Orissa)
No. 83-E.P.
1918

The Secretary to the Government of India,
Education Department,
The Chief Secretary to the Government of Bihar and Orissa,
Lahore.
1. It is directed to reply to your letter No. 100-11, dated the 14th December 1918, regarding the general scheme of the educational examination.
2. The fact which has been brought to the notice of the Government of India is that the examination should be held in the form of a definite exam in which the candidates should be placed 'practical examination' and not 'theoretical examination'. The examination of the figures regarding the three examinations held in your department of practical value, especially in the case of the Lower and Upper Primary examinations, which are ordinarily conducted only on a theoretical basis, is not a fair test to show the number of pupils who have completed these stages. The Lower Primary stage is the only stage where many pupils in India even complete. It has also been the practice to include these examinations in the examination and it is thought that the figures are probably in any case collected it will cause little or no trouble to report them. In these circumstances the Government of India would be glad if the practice were continued in the future for the examinations.

Yours faithfully,
The Secretary to the Government of India.

No. 83

Copy, together with a copy of the letter from the Government of Bihar and Orissa, No. 83-E.P., dated the 2nd December 1918, forwarded to the *Government of Madras* for information and necessary action. If the examinations named by the Government of Bihar and Orissa are not ordinarily held in any province either under those or under some other names, it is open to the local Government to omit the figures altogether or to insert the number of pupils included in the class which may be regarded as the highest in the Lower Primary, Upper Primary or the Middle Anglo-Vernacular stages respectively together with the number of those who successfully complete the course in that class.

By order,

Jaygull Khan

Offg. Asstt. Secretary to the Government of India.

for information
15/12/18
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Copy of a letter no. 83-E.P., dated the 2nd December 1918, from the Chief Secretary to the Government of Bihar and Orissa, Education Department, to the Secretary to the Government of India, Department of Education.

I am directed to refer to Sir Edward Maclagan's letter no. 228-E, dated the 9th March, 1917, with which was forwarded a revised copy of the general tables of educational statistics. General table VI, includes amongst others the Anglo-vernacular middle examination, Upper Primary examination and lower Primary examination. In Bihar and Orissa there are no public examinations at these stages but the provincial educational reports have always given figures based on school examinations, as if the examinations were public.

2. The Lieutenant-Governor in Council is inclined to think that this practice is wrong and that figures for public examinations only should be quoted in the statistics, but as the point is open to doubt, I am to refer the matter for the orders of the Government of India.

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