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regarding moderation of marks in the Public examination under the
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MEMORANDUM

No. 2963-1

Dated Ootacamund, the 23rd July 1919.

The following extract from the "Commonweal" dated the 18th July 1919 is forwarded to the Director of Public Instruction and he is requested to offer his comments on the last three sentences thereof :-

LOCAL

The event of the week has, of course, been the excellent meeting in the Gokhale Hall on Saturday last to protest against the S.S.L.C. examination results. The Hon. Mr. B.N.Sarma was in the chair and made one of his usual good speeches. A number of other speakers testified to the injustice done to the students, and a strong committee was formed to take ^{the} steps necessary to obtain some relaxation of the severity caused by the introduction this year of a new system of moderation. It appears that this year the presiding average marks have been calculated upon the average among students who have ~~examinations~~ been sent up for the examination, and not, as in previous years, upon the general average of all the students in the class whether sent up or detained. The result is that the average is a much higher figure, and more students, therefore, fail. If the old system of moderation were retained four or five hundred more students would become eligible, and the committee will press for this.

(By Order)

E. M. Gawne

Under Secretary.

To

The Director of Public Instruction.

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Replying to Government Memo No.2963-1 dated 23rd July 1919
regarding the moderation of marks in the recent Secondary School
Leaving Certificate examination.



ENCLOSURES
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Re No. 6795/19

Station (Camp) Ootacamund, Dated the 30th July 1919.

From (Name) The Hon. Mr. R. Littlehales, M.A.,

(Designation) Director of Public Instruction.

To The Secretary to the Government of Madras,

Public. Department.

Sir,

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I have the honour to reply to Government Memorandum No.2963-1 dated 23rd July 1919. The statement contained in the ante-pen-ultimate sentence is correct. The method of calculating the average now adopted is the only one which is mathematically accurate. Moreover its adoption has been recommended by one of the chief Teachers' Associations in Madras and by the Director of Public Instruction, Travancore. Its effect is to prevent teachers in schools obtaining an unfair advantage for the pupils

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pupils whom they send up for the examination by giving those whom they do not intend to present, extremely few marks. The method is *of calculating the average* but not fixed by the Director of Public Instruction by the Syndicate of the University.

2. With regard to the pen-ultimate sentence of the paragraph I have merely to state that the Secondary School Leaving Certificate examination is not an examination in which a candidate fails or passes. He is only awarded marks, on the basis of the work which he has done in school and the result of a public examination held at the end of his school course. The Syndicate of the University lays down rules in accordance with the regulations of the University by means of which certain holders of completed Secondary School Leaving Certificates are declared eligible for a University course of study. In those schools in which the teachers have resorted to the practice of giving extremely few marks to the pupils whom they did not intend to present for the public examination a less number of pupils will be declared eligible by the University this year than last year, *other things being equal.*

3. At meetings of the Syndicate of the University which were held on the 21st and 22nd of July it was decided that the rules framed by the Syndicate for the declaration of eligibility to a University course should be modified by the grant of certain concessional marks. The concessions were published in all the local newspapers of the 23rd. The result is that about 560 additional pupils have been declared eligible for a University course of study.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

Director of Public Instruction.

THE S.S.L.C. RESULTS

REVISING THE RESULTS

A SUPPLEMENTARY RULE

Mr. Francis Dewsbury, B.A., LL.B., Registrar, University of Madras, writes:

I am authorised by the Syndicate to furnish you for information with a copy of a supplementary rule and direction of the Syndicate adopted at its meeting of the 22nd instant relating to the admission of holders of completed Secondary School-leaving Certificates to University courses of study in the year 1919. Intimation of eligibility under this supplementary rule will be communicated to the certificate holders concerned through their High Schools and to the Principals of all Colleges affiliated in Arts.

In this connection I have to invite your attention to the following standing resolution of the Syndicate:—

Resolved that in each case of a holder of a Secondary School-leaving Certificate declared eligible for University courses of study after the date of reopening of college, who is admitted to college within eleven days from the date of the Registrar's letter communicating to him his eligibility, and is nevertheless unable to make during the year the attendance necessary for the annual certificate, the Syndicate will consider favourably an application for exemption recommended by the Principal of the College.

The Supplementary Rule University of Madras

Supplementary rule and direction of the Syndicate for the admission of holders of Secondary School-leaving Certificates to University courses of study in the year 1919-20.

To Follow Rule IV. 5.

A Secondary School-leaving Certificate holder who fails to qualify under the preceding rules by reason of deficiency of marks

(a) in one subject only will be declared eligible for admission if the deficiency of marks is not more than one mark, irrespective of his total marks

provided that the deficiency of marks is not more than 2 marks

if his total marks amount to not less than 200	3 marks	250
" " " "	4 " "	300
" " " "	5 " "	350
and so on		

(b) In two subjects only will be declared eligible for admission provided that the deficiency is not more than 1 mark in one subject and 1 mark in the other subject

1 mark and 2 marks	300
2 marks and 2 marks	350
2 marks and 3 marks	400
and so on	

For the purpose of this rule, in calculating the total marks gained, the higher mark obtained in each subject will be selected, whether examination mark or moderated mark, and in calculating the deficiency of marks the smallest deficiency will be selected after application of both alternatives in the above rules for determining eligibility.

In the case of a Secondary School-leaving Certificate holder who has been excused the study of Vernacular Composition and Translation and has taken Sanskrit and one other subject only under Group O, the total marks required under this rule will be reduced by one-fifth, provided always that in the case of such certificate-holder no total number of marks will be allowed to compensate for

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In the case of a certificate-holder who has been excused the study of Vernacular Composition and Translation and has taken Sanskrit and two other subjects under Group C, the total marks required under this rule will not be reduced (his marks in each of the five subjects being taken into account), and compensation for the deficiency of marks will be admissible under this rule irrespective of subject.

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The Commonwealth dated The 18th July 1919.

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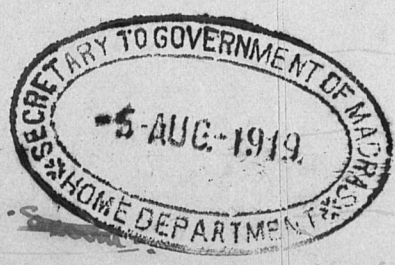
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