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Government of India.

Department of Education and Health.
(Education).

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From

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6.9.21

Secretary to the Government of India,

To

The Secretary to the Government of Madras,
Law (Education) Department.

Procedure to be followed by Indian candidates
in submitting applications for appoint-
ment to the Indian Educational
Service.

Sir,

JP. 848 *31/8/21* *(V)* I am directed to refer to this Department letter no. 680, dated the 16th May 1921, and to forward for information, a copy of the marginally noted correspondence on the subject

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| (1) Letter to the Under Secretary of State no.35, dated 12th May 1921 (extracts paragraphs 3 to 9. | } of the procedure to be followed by Indian candidates in submitting their applications for appointment to the |
| (2) Letter from the India Office, no. J.& P.3519/21, dated 13th July 1921. | |

Indian Educational Service.

2. It will be observed that while the Secretary of State is in full accord with the reasons urged by the Government of India for a change in the existing procedure, he is in favour of the retention of the general rule under which an Indian candidate is required to address his application to the local Government of the province to which he belongs. But at the same time he advises candidates for a particular appointment which is known to be vacant to send copies of their application direct to the local Government of the province in which the vacancy exists, making it quite clear that they are copies and that the rule has been complied with.

*See para 3
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3. This procedure will not only be followed by all Indians whether resident in India or elsewhere, but also by Europeans and others resident in India either as a permanent or a temporary measure.

4. The Government of India will be glad if this procedure is carefully followed in future and if candidates are advised accordingly as requested by the Secretary of State. The Government of India hope to make this procedure clear in the application form when the form is reprinted.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

H. S. Sanyal

Secretary to the Government of India.

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Extract from a letter no.35, dated the 12th May 1921,
from the Secretary to the Government of India, Department of
Education, to His Majesty's Under Secretary of State for India.

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3. The question raised in the second of the letters regarding Dr. Dhar is more difficult. It is stated that Dr. Dhar correctly understood that under the new procedure he was precluded from applying to any local Government but his own; and this letter asks that it should be made clear to local Governments that an Indian candidate for the Indian Educational Service should not address an application to any Government other than his own.

4. This is clearly the procedure laid down in paragraph 9 of the Secretary of State's despatch, Public, no.169, dated the 27th November 1919. Under that procedure an Indian candidate, whether he be in India or elsewhere, would address his application to the local Government of the province to which he belongs. The local Government after inquiry, would submit the matter to the Government of India, who might then add his name to the consolidated list which they maintain and circulate from time to time to local Governments. This, in fact, is precisely the procedure which has been adopted here in the past and which had been adopted some years before the receipt of the despatch in question. I invite a reference to my letter no.596, dated the 3rd October 1912 to Sir M. Seton, which contains instructions to the local Governments. In addition to the procedure there laid down the Government of India have maintained a consolidated list. The Government of India's confidential despatch no.20, dated the 23rd December 1920, may also be seen in this connection.

5. This procedure has served very well in the past. But I am to suggest that it requires some relaxation now. This has, indeed, been found to be the case in the practice and the two letters under reply are not the first indication of difficulty arising out of this subject. A leisurely procedure was convenient enough when the number of vacancies to be filled in India were comparative

ly few and when the local Government concerned merely had to make inquiries regarding a candidate and then send the result on to the Government of India. Now, however, it is different. Things are moving more rapidly, there are many vacancies to be filled, local Governments frequently advertise vacancies somewhat on the lines suggested in the Secretary of State's confidential despatch no.183, Public, dated the 7th October 1920. Moreover, it does not now suffice for a local Government merely to make its own inquiries about the candidate. The candidate has to appear before the Provincial Selection Board. The danger, therefore, arises that a suitable candidate applying to the local Government of the province of his birth or of his present employment may, through the very length of the procedure, lose a chance of employment which has occurred under another local Government, who, not knowing of his existence, may possibly nominate to the Government of India a less desirable candidate.

6. I am accordingly to suggest that the procedure laid down by the Secretary of State should be to this extent varied. A candidate who applies for general employ without any definite post in view should still invariably apply through the Government of the province to which he belongs ^{or} in which he happens to be employed; and, in his case, the procedure which has hitherto been adopted by the Government of India should be carried out. But where a candidate applies for a definite post in a province other than the province of his birth or of his present employment he should be able to apply direct to the local Government of the province in which he seeks employment. In that case he would ordinarily before the Selection Board of that province. But it should be clearly understood that the local Government should not recommend such a candidate to the Government of India before consulting the local Government of the province in which such candidate is resident or employed.

7. One obvious advantage in this relaxation of procedure is that the candidate will ordinarily be dealt with by the Selection Board of the province in which he seeks employment, who are far

more likely to be acquainted with the needs of the province and of the post in question than the Selection Board in another province.

8. If this modification commends itself to the Secretary of State, the necessary orders will issue. In the meantime a letter is being addressed to the Government of Bengal regarding the case of Mr. J.M.Sen. The Government of Assam will also be addressed about Dr. Dhar with a view to action under the procedure which was laid down in the Secretary of State's despatch of the 27th November 1919. Further, a circular is being addressed to local Governments reiterating the existing orders.

9. It is to be observed that paragraph 9 of the Secretary of State's despatch of the 27th November 1919 speaks of "Indians". It is thought possible that the term should be extended so as to include residents of India who are not Indians and that possibly the term "statutory natives of India" would be more correct. Should this be the intention, this point will be made clear in any further orders which it may be found necessary to issue to local Governments.

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India Office,
Whitehall, London, S.W.1.

13th July 1921.

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Procedure to be followed by Indian candidates in
submitting applications for appointment to the
Indian Educational Service.

Sir,

I am directed to refer to that part of your letter no.35,
dated 12th May, in which a modification is suggested in the general
rule regarding applications for posts in the Indian Educational
Service, viz. that an Indian candidate, whether he be in India or
elsewhere, should address his application to the local Government of
the province to which he belongs.

2. The Secretary of State, I am to say, is in full accord
with the views expressed in your paragraphs 5 and 7. He hopes,
however, that the Government of India will agree with him that it is
better to retain the general rule, and advise candidates for a
particular appointment which is known to be vacant to send copies
of their application direct to the local Government of the province
in which the vacancy exists, making it quite clear that they are
copies and that the rule has been complied with.

3. As regards your paragraph 9, I am to say that the pro-
cedure suggested in paragraph 9 of the Despatch no.169, dated
27th November 1919, would apply equally to all persons whose home is
in India and who are temporarily residing outside India.

I am, Sir,
Your obedient servant,

Sd. J.E.Ferard,
Secretary,
Judicial and Public Department.

The Secretary to the Government of India,
Department of Education.

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In para 15 of letter from the Govt of India N-371, dated 23rd March 1920^{1/2} it is laid down that all Indian candidates should address their applications for ^{admission} ~~appointment~~ to the Indian Est-Service to the local Govt of the Province to which they belong. While retaining this general rule, the Secretary of State is pleased to allow candidates for a particular appointment ~~in a~~ which is known to be vacant to send copies of their applications

direct to the local govt. of the
Province in which the vacancy
exists, making it quite clear
that they are copies and that
the rule has been complied
with.

2. This procedure will not
only be followed by all Indians
whether resident in India or elsewhere,
but also by Europeans + others
resident in India either as a
permanent or a temporary
measure. The D.P. I is requested
to advise candidates accordingly.

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