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Exemption from the Examination Rules.

Sanctioning the — of lightkeepers in the Port department, and making certain alterations in the public service notification.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT.

READ—the following paper :—

From Commander T. G. R. FINNY, R.I.M., Presidency Port Officer, to the Secretary to Government, Marine Department, dated Madras, 19th January 1901, No. 1273-G.—15.

I have the honour to request that G.O., No. 746, Educational, dated 1st December 1896, communicated in G.O., No. 873, Marine, dated 18th December 1896, may be reconsidered in so far as it relates to lightkeepers. In making this request, I have not lost sight of G.O., No. 245, Marine, dated 8th April 1896.

2. A great difficulty is experienced in securing the services of men who are passed candidates and also possessing mechanical knowledge. Many of the applicants are qualified fitters, but are not passed men. Nevertheless, they possess schoolmasters' certificates or have studied up to a certain standard which are considered enough for duties as lightkeeper. Not to utilise the services of these men on the ground that they are unpassed men will not meet the requirements of the lighthouse service.

3. Under the above circumstances, I beg that Government will be pleased to exempt lightkeepers from the educational rules and permit the employment of men trained as fitters and mechanics, provided they can read and write English and keep accounts in a manner satisfactory to the local Port officers and the Presidency Port officer under whom they may be employed.

No. 115-E., Marine.

Transferred to the Educational Department.

25th February 1901.

(Signed) H. E. CLERK,
Under Secretary to Government.

ORDER—No. 113, Educational, dated 1st March 1901.

On the understanding that the conditions specified in paragraph 3 of the Presidency Port Officer's letter will be strictly enforced, the Governor in Council is pleased to exempt lightkeepers from the operation of the examination rules.

2. The following alterations will be made in the public service notification :—

3. (15) For "Temporary appointments in the Port department" read "Appointments of lightkeepers and temporary appointments in the Port department."

4. (12) Omit "Head lightkeepers" and "lightkeepers on Rs. 9 per mensem and upwards."

(True Extract.)

M. HAMMICK,
Ag. Secretary to Government.

To the Marine Department.

„ Commissioner for Government Examinations.

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EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT.

NOTES CONNECTED WITH G.O., No. 113, EDUCATIONAL, DATED
1st MARCH 1901.

[SUBJECT.—*Exemption of Lightkeepers from the Examination Rules.*]

MARINE DEPARTMENT.

From the Presidency Port Officer, Madras, dated 19th January 1901, No. 1270-G.—15.

Submitted that the standard of education proposed in paragraph 3 of the Presidency Port Officer's letter is quite sufficient for lightkeepers. There are two essential qualifications for a man in charge of lighthouse apparatus, viz.—

(1) he should have sufficient intelligence to be able to comprehend the mechanism, and

(2) he should be sufficiently reliable to be trusted with the charge of the light under conditions involving isolation and immunity from frequent control.

2. The standard of knowledge prescribed for the compulsory subjects of the Primary examination, though doubtless very desirable from a general educational point of view, is not essential for lightkeepers and is not, as a rule, possessed by the class of men, otherwise qualified, who alone are available.

Yes, I think so.

A[MPHILL].
19-2-01.

It is, therefore, submitted that this matter should be looked at from the mechanical rather than the literary point of view, and the Presidency Port Officer's recommendations sanctioned.

R. PARSONS.

Educational Dept. for remarks.

W. B. DEWINTON.
25-1-01.

EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT.

It would be sacrificing efficiency to other considerations to insist on the educational qualification in this case. Mr. DeWinton states that, as a rule, the men who have the technical qualification do not possess the educational one.

2. This department may express concurrence and request that Commander Finny's letter may be formally transferred.

A. T. PRINGLE.
29-1-01.

Secretary.

Yes. The order should be issued in the Educational Department.

M. HAMMICK.
29-1-01.

Marine Department u.o.

MARINE DEPARTMENT.

His Excellency the Governor and the Hon'ble Mr. Arundel, C.S.I.

Agreed. Vide paragraph 3 of Presidency Port Officer's letter which will be enforced.

A. T. ARUNDEL.
22-2-01.

Marine (190 /) Department.

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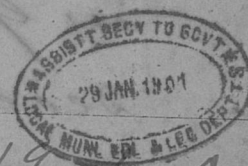
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