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Communicating to the Director of Public Instruction letter from the Government of India forwarding copy of despatches to and from the Secretary of State on the subject of filling temporary vacancies in certain professorial appointments in the — by graduates from England.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT.

Read—the following paper:—

From A. WILLIAMS, Esq., Deputy Secretary to the Government of India, Home Department (Education), to the Secretary to the Government of Madras, Educational Department, dated Calcutta, 7th December 1901, No. 601.

With reference to the correspondence ending with your letter No. 191, dated 4th April 1901, I am directed to forward, for the information of the Governor in Council, a copy of the despatches noted in the margin showing that the scheme under which it is proposed that graduates should be obtained from England to fill temporary vacancies in certain professorial appointments in the Indian Educational service has been approved by the Secretary of State.

ENCLOSURE No. 1.

DESPATCH from the Government of India, Home Department (Education), to His Majesty's Secretary of State for India, dated Simla, 27th June 1901, No. 5.

We have the honour to forward, for your Lordship's consideration, a copy of the correspondence entered in the enclosed list relating to a proposal that temporary vacancies in certain professorial appointments held by members of the Indian Educational service should be filled by graduates from England.

2. The proposal originated with the Government of Bombay, who represented that experience had shown that such appointments as the professorships in history, philosophy and political economy could not be adequately filled by members of the Provincial Educational service, and who recommended accordingly that for temporary vacancies in those posts recruits should generally be selected from graduates in England possessing certain special qualifications. We were inclined to agree that the proposal of the Bombay Government was deserving of support on the ground that the appointment of members of the Provincial or Subordinate services to lecture on history or political economy is open to the objection that it will be rarely possible to find in either of those services a fully qualified professor in those subjects. The proposal of the Government of Bombay was, however, one in which other local Governments and Administrations were also interested, and we therefore thought it desirable to consult them in the matter before addressing your Lordship.

3. The replies received from the local Governments and Administrations, who were addressed on the subject, show that they are generally in favour of the proposal, the only exception being the Government of the Punjab with whose views we are unable to agree. The Governments of Madras and Bengal are of opinion that the proposal of the Bombay Government might usefully be extended to other professorial appointments held by members of the Indian Educational service, and to this there is in our opinion no objection. We therefore recommend, for your Lordship's favourable consideration, that, in all cases in which the local Governments are unable to fill temporary vacancies in professorial chairs suitably in this country, the services of graduates should be obtained from England to fill such vacancies.

The following are the terms which we think, subject to your Lordship's views, would be sufficiently attractive and likely to obtain suitable recruits:—

- (1) The salary should be Rs. 500 a month.
- (2) A first-class passage from and to England by Peninsular and Oriental steamer should be provided by Government.
- (3) The period of appointment should be not less than a year, or at all events not less than a university year (of about nine months). At the expiration of this period the person temporarily appointed should have no claim on Government, although, if his services were thoroughly approved, his name might be placed on a register at the India Office for future selection to fill either a temporary or permanent appointment.

4. We are unable to accept the suggestion of the Government of Bengal that Directors of Public Instruction should be empowered to engage gentlemen to fill these temporary appointments through their own agencies. Such an arrangement is likely to result in confusion, and we think that the recruitment of these temporary officers should, as in the case of persons appointed to the Indian Educational service, be effected through your Lordship.

SUB-ENCLOSURE TO ENCLOSURE No. 1.

1. Letter from the Government of Bombay, No. 1713, dated the 16th November 1900.
2. Letter to the Governments of Madras, Bengal, North-Western Provinces and Oudh, the Punjab, and the Honourable the Chief Commissioner of the Central Provinces, Nos. 46—50, dated the 28th January 1901.
3. Letter from the Government of Madras, No. 191, dated the 4th April 1901.
4. Letter from the Government of Bengal, No. 929, dated the 25th February 1901.
5. Letter from the Government of the North-Western Provinces and Oudh, No. 125, dated the 21st March 1901, and enclosure.
6. Letter from the Government of the Punjab, No. 40, dated the 9th March 1901.
7. Letter from the Honourable the Chief Commissioner of the Central Provinces, No. 9-X, dated the 20th February 1901.

ENCLOSURE No. 2.

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, 25th October 1901, No. 143, Public (Educational).

I have considered in Council the letter of your Excellency's Government, No. 5 of the 27th June, on the subject of a proposal that temporary vacancies in certain professorial appointments held by members of the Indian Educational service should be filled by graduates from England.

2. The terms you would offer are—

- (a) an engagement for not less than a university year (of about nine months), with a prospect, in the case of thoroughly approved service, of future selection, through the agency of the Secretary of State, to fill either a temporary or a permanent appointment;
- (b) a salary of Rs. 500 a month;
- (c) a free passage from and to England.

3. I approve of the scheme and the conditions attached to it. I would, however, suggest that, in order to make temporary employment of this nature more attractive, those gentlemen, who, at the termination of their engagement, wish to avail themselves of the opportunity of being in India to become better acquainted with the country should be enabled to do so. For this purpose it would suffice to extend the period within which they must at present claim their free passage from three to six months.

4. I would also remind your Excellency that it may often be difficult to find suitable persons who will be able or willing to go out at very short notice. It is therefore desirable that I should receive the earliest possible information whenever an appointment of this kind is likely to be required.

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Communicated to the Director of Public Instruction.

(True Extract.)

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Ag. Secretary to Government.

To the Director of Public Instruction.
Accountant-General.

Exd. A. D. Xavier.

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