

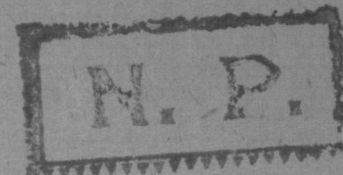
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JUNE.

Examination Rules.

Directing that all appointments of peons, police constables and other menials be removed from the operation of the — and that the Public Service notification be amended accordingly, and requesting the Commissioner for Government Examinations to submit the draft of a notification to carry out this decision.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT.

READ—the following paper:—

Reference from the Board of Revenue (Separate Revenue), C.R. Nos. 741, 768 and 862, dated 30th March 1904.

Read—again the following paper:—

B.P., No. 97/2009 R., Salt, dated 1st May 1902.

ABSTRACT.—Communicating to all Deputy and Assistant Commissioners Government Order postponing to the 1st January 1904 the enforcement of the rule that candidates for the posts of petty officers and peons in the Salt, Abkari and Customs department shall have passed the Primary examination.

Reference—C. R. Nos. 741, 768 and 862, dated 30th March 1904.

The Board begs to request that Government will be pleased to extend the concession granted in G.O., No. 214, Educational, dated 10th April 1902, for a further period of two years from 1st January 1904. Deputy Commissioners of all the three divisions report that the difficulty in securing candidates who have passed the Primary examination for the posts of petty officers and peons still continues. The Board is convinced that the enforcement of the examination rule is likely to seriously affect recruitment in the Department, and that the extension now asked for is absolutely necessary.

(True Extract.)

R. G. A. THOMSON,
Ag. Asst. Secretary.

To the Secretary to Government, Educational Department.

ORDER—No. 351, Educational, dated 8th June 1904.

Instead of extending for a further period of two years the exemption granted in G.O., No. 625, Educational, dated 6th November 1897, to candidates for the posts of petty officers and peons in the Salt, Abkari and Customs department, the Government have resolved to remove all appointments of peons, police constables and other menials from the operation of the examination rules, and the Public Service notification will be amended accordingly. The rule that candidates for these appointments should have passed the Primary examination has now been in force in all departments, except the Police and the Salt, Abkari and Customs, for over seven years and has, in practice, greatly narrowed the field of recruitment of men physically fitted for

the duties which they are called upon to discharge, while its effect on the advancement of primary education has been inappreciable. The rule will accordingly be abrogated, and the Commissioner for Government Examinations will be requested to submit the draft of a notification to carry this decision into effect.

(True Extract.)

H. D. TAYLOR,
Ag. Secretary to Government.

To the Commissioner for Government Examinations.

„ Departments of the Secretariat,
except Pension, Financial (Books) and Legislative.
„ Director of Public Instruction.
„ Superintendent, Government Museum.

Erd. P. Seetharam.

EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT.

NOTES CONNECTED WITH G.O., No. 351, EDUCATIONAL, DATED
8TH JUNE 1904.

[SUBJECT.—*Exemption of peons and other menial servants from the Examination Rules.*]

From the Board of Revenue, Ref. on C. Nos. 741, 768, dated 30th March 1904.

Instead of extending for two years more the exemption of peons and petty officers from the Primary examination, an exemption which has already been running for $6\frac{1}{2}$ years, the better course, I submit, would be to amend schedule A to the Public Service notification by removing from column 1 all appointments of peons, gollahs, daffadars, chobdars, dalayats, lascars, field peons, batta peons, amins, etc. The system of requiring servants of this description to have passed a public examination might have been borrowed from China. It is in many ways a positive disqualification in a peon to be able to read and write. The qualities that are wanted are in no way gauged by the Primary examination. In most districts the rule causes great trouble and necessitates the enlistment of unfit men. Its effect on the advancement of primary education has been inappreciable, and primary education has not advanced under it. As far as possible the rule is evaded, as by the Salt department, which gets a standing exemption. On all grounds, I submit that its maintenance in its present form is unnecessary, and an order proposing to amend schedule A in the manner above indicated may issue to all departments for opinion.

A. G. CARDEW—7-4-04.

Do so please.

J. T. [HOMSON]—8-4-04.

A draft is submitted for approval. It may be sent to the departments of Secretariat for acceptance or for remarks.

T. KANAKASUNDARAM PILLAI—12-4-04.

A revised draft prepared in accordance with the instructions personally given by the Second Assistant is submitted.

T.K.—16-4-04.

Please type as now altered.

P. T. THARYAN—18-4-04.

Typed.

T.K.—20-4-04.

P.T.T.—20-4-04.

Submitted to Secretary. The draft may be sent to Local and Municipal, Public, Revenue, Judicial, and Public Works for acceptance or remarks.

I don't see any point in sending to Marine, Ecclesiastical, etc.

A. GALLETTI—25-4-04.

Yes.

H. D. TAYLOR—25-4-04.

To the Local and Municipal Department.

„ *Public Department.*

„ *Judicial* „

„ *Revenue* „

„ *Public Works Department.*

PUBLIC DEPARTMENT.

The decision may be cordially accepted in this Department. In the Chief Secretariat we have so far evaded the rule by styling our lower paid peons "messengers", but the only effect of trying to work the existing rule has been to recruit unsuitable men. It is much safer not to have peons who can read and write.

C. M. SCHMIDT—27-4-04.

A. Y. G. CAMPBELL—27-4-04.

To the Judicial Department.

JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT.

Apparently the order is not intended to exempt police constables from the operation of the examination rules. Police head constables and constables are exempt from time to time under special orders. The words "and other menials" may possibly be interpreted to include police constables. Constables draw Rs. 10, Rs. 9, and Rs. 8 in the Madras City Police and Rs. 8 and Rs. 7 in the district force. Although under article 503, Civil Service Regulations the pensions of police constables are determined according to the rules prescribed for the calculating of pensions for superior service still the service of constables is not superior service—*vide* articles 396 and 397, Civil Service Regulations. To prevent misapprehension the case of constables may be specially excluded from the operation of the proposed order unless indeed it is considered desirable that they should be exempted in the same way as peons.

J. A. DE ROZARIO—4-5-04.

For orders. Perhaps police constables can be exempted now. I am not sure whether there is anything in the Police Commission's Report on the subject of the educational qualifications of constables.

A. Y. G. CAMPBELL—9-5-04.

The Police Commission say—

"The intellectual standard should similarly be fixed in reference to the duties to be performed, and the state of education in the district. It is desirable that every constable should be able to read and write."

Naturally if a man desiring employment can read and write it is so much to his advantage. But as exemption has been granted for so many years I think it might be given permanently and at the same time the Inspector-General might be told that it is not intended by this that the Government do not recognise the advantage of an educated constable and that continuous effort should be made to enlist literates in the future as in the past.

M. HAMMICK—12-5-04.

I agree as to Police. I cordially welcome the draft order and believe it an altogether desirable step to take these appointments out of the notification.

G. S. [TOKES]—13-5-04.

File may be forwarded to Revenue department. Educational will no doubt amend the draft in accordance with above notes.

A. Y. G. C.—14-5-04.

Yes.

M. H.—15-5-04.

To the Revenue Department.

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

We may accept the draft with joy.

F. B. EVANS—17-5-04.

Accepted in Revenue.

J. N. ATKINSON—18-5-04.

To the Public Works Department.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

Accepted in Public Works Department.

R. PARSONS.

W. B. DEWINTON—19-5-04.

To the Educational Department.

EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT.

It is submitted that the draft may be amended as shown in pencil with reference to the remarks of the Judicial Department. If approved, the whole draft will be re-typed before submission to the Honourable Member.

P. T. THARYAN—20-5-04.

It is not, I think, necessary to enter paragraph 2 which is of the nature of departmental instruction to the Inspector-General. The accepted draft will be communicated to Judicial and it is presumed that any departmental instructions to the Inspector-General will be issued in that department when communicating the draft. Will

Yes.

A. Y. G. CAMPBELL—23-5-04.

Judicial please state if this view is correct? A fair draft as amended is sent for acceptance.

H. D. TAYLOR—21-5-04.

To the Judicial Department.

JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT.

Draft may be accepted; nothing is said about head constables, but these can also be exempted when the draft notification comes over for acceptance, if considered desirable.

A. Y. G. CAMPBELL—23-5-04.

Yes. Accepted.

M. HAMMICK—26-5-04.

To the Educational Department.

EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT.

The draft, as accepted in other departments, is now submitted to the Honourable Member for approval.

H. D. T.—27-5-04.

The draft is an Educational draft and should have come to me before circulation. It is far too elaborate and is as pretensions in language as if it dealt not with peons but with members of the Provincial Civil Service. I have revised it into simpler terms.

2. As to the policy of the draft I entirely dissent.

3. I don't believe in an Ostrich policy. If peons find it profitable to their pockets to be able to read and write they soon learn. I have seen numbers do so after getting appointments. And it is therefore useless relying on the factitious belief, in the future, that they will be ignoramuses. Better know what we are.

4. Nor do I believe that men who can't read and write make any better peons than those who can. On the contrary, we shall be only increasing the numbers of idiotic and stupid men that we already possess.

5. However both my Honourable Colleagues are of a different opinion and the order must issue.

G. S. F[ORBES]—28-5-04.

The draft as revised by the Honourable Member may now go again to departments of the Secretariat [except Pension, Financial (Books) and Legislative] for acceptance.

H.D.T.—30-5-04.

To the Public Department.
" Judicial "
" Revenue "
" Public Works "

PUBLIC DEPARTMENT.

May be accepted in Public and Judicial. Educational may be asked to send a copy of the notes with the order.

A.Y.G.C.—31-5-04.

Yes.

M. HAMMICK—1-6-04.

To the Revenue Department.

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

The revised draft may be accepted. It has only been altered in form, not substance.

F. B. EVANS—3-6-04.

Accepted.

J. N. ATKINSON—4-6-04.

To the Public Works Department.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

Accepted in Public Works department.

W. B. DEWINTON—6-6-04.

To the Educational Department.

EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT.

Issue.

2. Manuscript copy may at once issue in advance to Commissioner for Government Examinations with the request that the notification called for may be submitted at a very early date.

3. A printed copy of notes to be furnished to Revenue, Public and Judicial.

H.D.T.—8-6-04.

[G.O., No. 351, Educational, dated 8th June 1904.]

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Educational Revenue (1904) Department.

CURRENT No.

614

From

The Secretary to the Commissioner of

Salt, Abkari and Separate Revenue,

Madras.

Ref. no. Nos. 741, 768, and 862

Dated 30th March 1904

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SUBJECT.

Requesting Government to extend for a further period of two years from 1st April 1904 the concession permitting the entertainment as Petty Officers and peons in the Salt, Abkari and Customs Department of candidates who have not passed the Primary Examination.

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In replying, the above should be quoted.



(Separate Revenue).

Read again Board's Proceedings No. 97/^R2009-Salt, dated

1st May 1902, communicating to all Deputy and Assistant Commissioners G.O. postponing to the 1st January 1904 ^{the} enforcement of the rule that candidates for the posts of Petty Officers and peons in the Salt, Akhari and Customs Department shall have passed the Primary Examination.

REFERENCE:-

The Board begs to request that Government will be pleased to extend the concession granted in G.O.No. 214, Educational, dated 10th April 1902, for a further period of 2 years from 1st January 1904. Deputy Commissioners of all the three Divisions report, that the difficulty in securing candidates, ^{who} ~~they~~ have passed the Primary Examination, for the posts of Petty Officers and peons still continues. The Board is convinced that the enforcement of the Examination rule is likely to seriously affect recruitment in the Department, and that the extension now asked for is absolutely necessary.

Wm. H. Newman
2404
for As. Secretary.

To the Secretary to Government, Educational Department.

R. R.

as
31.3.04

EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT.

READ AGAIN G.O., No. _____, dated _____, 190_____

READ ALSO:—

C. No. 614, From the Bd. of Rev. S.R., Nos 741x, dated 30-3-1904

ORDER

P. S.

No. _____, dated _____ 190_____

The Governor in Council considers
that ^{instead of} ~~before~~ extending for a further
period of two years the exemption grant-
ed in G.O.No.625 Edl. d/ 6th November
1897 to candidates for the posts of
petty officers & peons in the Salt,
Abkari & Customs department, the Public
Service Notification should be amended
so as to remove all appointments of
~~Peon Ambles~~
peons and other menials from the opera-
tion of the examination rules. The rule
that candidates ^(for these appointments) should ~~be required to~~
have passed the Primary Examination has
now been in force in all departments
~~Peon as in~~
except the Salt, Abkari & Customs, for
over seven years and after a careful
observation of its working during this
period

C.No.614, from the Board of Revenue (S.R.), No.741, dated 30th March 1904.

period His Excellency ~~in Council~~ in Council has arrived at the conclusion that the qualities which are required in the Constables, peons & other inferior servants specified in column 1 of schedule A to the Public Service Notification cannot in any way be gauged by the Primary Examination. The rule thus causes great trouble in most districts & necessitates the enlistment of unfit men, while its effect on the advancement of primary education has been inappreciable. His Excellency in Council accordingly resolves to abrogate the rule and the Commissioner for Govt. Examinations will be requested to submit (a draft of the necessary alterations to be made in the Public Service Notification.)

T.K.
16-4-4.P.T.T.
18-4-4.

The rule has, in practice, greatly narrowed the field of recruitment and necessitated the enlistment of unfit men, while its effect on the advancement of primary education has been inappreciable. His Excellency in Council accordingly resolves to abrogate the rule and the Commissioner for Govt. Examinations will be requested to submit (a draft of the necessary alterations to be made in the Public Service Notification.)

the usual draft notification.

2. The J.L. & Police will be informed in the Judicial Department that although Constables have been permanently exempted from the operation of the Examination rules Govt. still recognize the advantage of having as such men who are able to read & write and desire that continuous effort should be made to enlist literates in the future as in the past.

To

The C.G.E.

Departments of the Secretariat
except Pension, Trial (Books) & Legislative.
S.P.
C.G.M.

P.S.

O R D E R: no-357 of 8-6-4

The Government in Council considered that instead of extending for a further period of two years the exemption granted in G.O.No.625 Edl., dated 6th November 1897 to candidates for the posts of petty officers and peons in the Salt, Abkari and Customs department, the Government have resolved to remove all appointments of peons, Police constables and other menials from the operation of the examination rules. The rule that candidates for these appointments should have passed the Primary Examination has now been in force in all departments except the Police and the Salt, Abkari and Customs, for over seven years and after a careful observation of its working during this period, His Excellency in Council has arrived at the conclusion that the qualities which are required in the constables, peons and other inferior servants specified in column 1 of schedule A to the Public Service Notification cannot in any way be gauged by the Primary Examination. The rule has, in practice, greatly narrowed the field of recruitment of men physically fitted for the duties which they are called upon to discharge.

As the Pub. Serv. Act will be amended accordingly

discharge, while its effect on the advance-

ment of primary education has been in-

appreciable. *The rule will accordingly*

be accordingly resolved to abrogate the rule

and the Commissioner for Government

Examinations will be requested to submit

the ~~draft~~ *draft* notification *to carry this*

P.T.T.

18-4-04.

A.G.
25-4-04.

H.D.T.
25-4-04.

*in accordance with the request that the
notification called for may be
submitted as early as possible.*

To

The Commissioner for Government
Examinations.

" Departments of the Secretariat,
except, Pension, Financial (Books)
and Legislative.

" D.P.I. ✓

" Superintendent, Government
Museum.

*(Rev. Public & Judicial
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