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G.O., &c., Nos. 485, 486, 9th August 1904.

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Special Test Examinations.

Requesting the Commissioner for Government Examinations to amend his notification published at page 451 *et seq.* of Part I-B of the *Fort St. George Gazette*, dated 28th June 1904, and include Mercara in the list of centres at which the Special Test examinations will be held in 1904; and addressing the Chief Commissioner of Coorg on the subject.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT.

READ—the following papers :—

From R. C. H. MOSS KING, Esq., I.C.S., Secretary to the Chief Commissioner of Coorg, to the Secretary to the Government of Madras, Educational Department, dated Bangalore, 15th July 1904, No. 1103.

With reference to letters, No. 677, dated the 19th October 1886, and No. 559, dated the 15th September 1896, from the Chief Secretary to the Government of Madras, I am directed to forward copy of a letter No. 761, dated the 11th July 1904, from the Commissioner of Coorg regarding the omission of Mercara from the list of centres at which Special Test examinations are to be held in October next.

2. The Chief Commissioner will be glad if the Madras Government can see their way to amend the notification at an early date so as to include Mercara.

ENCLOSURE.

From L. DAVIDSON, Esq., I.C.S., Commissioner of Coorg, Mercara, to the Secretary to the Chief Commissioner of Coorg, Bangalore, dated 11th July 1904, No. 761.

I have the honour to invite attention to the notification of the Commissioner for Government Examinations, Madras, which is published at page 451 *et seq.* of the issue of the *Fort St. George Gazette*, dated 28th June 1904, from which it will be seen that Mercara is not notified as a centre of examination. I have received a memorial from a number of employes in the head-quarter offices who are desirous of appearing for the ensuing Special Tests and will be compelled to journey a distance of nearly 90 miles by road to Mangalore for that purpose unless Mercara is as usual treated as a centre for the examinations. Apart from the annoyance and expense to the candidates, their prolonged absence from Mercara would necessarily entail administrative inconvenience. I have the honour, therefore, to request that the Government of Madras may be addressed with a view to the early amendment of the notification.

2. In conclusion, I may advert to the correspondence ending with Captain Erskine's endorsement, No. 1429, dated 25th September 1896, which relates to the rectification of a similar mistake. It will be seen that in the Chief Secretary's letter, No. 519, Educational, dated 10th August 1886, the Government of Madras agreed to the constitution of Mercara as an examination centre subject to certain conditions which have been duly complied with.

Endt. No. 381, Educational, dated 25th July 1904.

Referred to the Commissioner for Government Examinations for very early remarks.

(By Order.)

A. GALLETTI,
Ag. Asst. Secy. to Government.

From the Hon'ble Mr. A. G. BOURNE, D.Sc, F.R.S., Commissioner for Government Examinations, to the Secretary to Government, Educational Department, dated 29th July 1904, No. 275/-2D.

In reply to your endorsement No. 381 of 25th July 1904 (herewith returned) on a letter from the Secretary to the Chief Commissioner of Coorg with regard to the omission of Mercara from the list of centres at which the ensuing Special Test Examinations will be held, I have the honour to state that I omitted Mercara from the list as the early despatch which is necessary and the long road journey which the papers have to take, introduce special possibilities of leakage.

2. A great reduction in the number of centres and the omission of all such as introduce special danger seems to me highly desirable; the latter course is unfortunately necessarily correlated with special inconvenience to the candidates.

3. Mercara can now be made a centre without any difficulty, should Government consider it desirable to accede to the request of the Chief Commissioner.

4. I submit, however, for the consideration of Government that, having regard to the peculiar difficulties that attend the holding of these examinations, they might be confined to employes of the Madras Government and that other States should resort to their own methods of testing the efficiency of their employes.

5. It is, I think, pretty certain that a very large number of candidates have for many years resorted to fraudulent means in attempting to pass these examinations, and the closure of one source of leakage will only lead to a search for the next weakest link in the chain of precautions. A remote centre undoubtedly forms a weak link.

ORDER—No. 485, Educational, dated 9th August 1904.

The Commissioner for Government Examinations will be requested to amend his notification published at page 451 *et seq.* of Part I-B of the *Fort St. George Gazette*, dated 28th June 1904 and include Mercara in the list of centres at which the ensuing Special Test examinations will be held.

2. The following letter will be despatched :—

(True Extract.)

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

To the Commissioner for Government Examinations.

LETTER—No. 486, Educational, dated 9th August 1904, to the Chief Commissioner of Coorg.

With reference to Mr. Moss King's letter, No. 1103 of the 15th ultimo, I am directed to state that the Commissioner for Government Examinations, Madras, has been instructed to amend his notification published on page 451 *et seq.* of Part I-B of the *Fort St. George Gazette*, dated 28th June 1904, and include Mercara in the list of centres at which the ensuing Special Test examinations will be held.

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

EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT.

NOTES CONNECTED WITH G.O., Nos. 485, 486, EDUCATIONAL,
DATED 9TH AUGUST 1904.

[SUBJECT.—Omission of Mercara from the list of Centres for Special Test
Examinations.]

From the Secretary to the Chief Commissioner of Coorg, dated 15th July 1904, No. 1103.

The Chief Commissioner of Coorg points out the omission of Mercara from the list of centres notified in Part I-B of the *Fort St. George Gazette* of the 28th June 1904—page 451—at which the Special Test examinations are to be held in October next and requests its inclusion in the said list. A similar mistake occurred in 1896 and was subsequently rectified—*vide* G.O., Nos. 558, 559, Educational, dated 15th September 1896. Before proceeding further, the Chief Commissioner's letter may be referred to the Commissioner for Government Examinations for early remarks. Please see the endorsement placed below for approval.

2. It is submitted that the applications for the ensuing Special Test examinations must reach the office of the Commissioner for Government Examinations on or before the 31st instant, but if necessary an exception may be made in favour of candidates from Coorg.

N. LAKSHMANA RAO—23-7-04.

P. T. THARYAN—23-7-04.

Issue endorsement.

A. GALLETTI—25-7-04.

[Endt. No. 381, Educational, dated 25th July 1904.]

From the Commissioner for Government Examinations, dated 29th July 1904, No. 275/2-D.

In reply to endorsement, No. 381, dated the 25th ultimo, the Commissioner for Government Examinations states that he omitted Mercara from the list of centres, as the early despatch which is necessary and the long road journey which the papers have to take, introduce special possibilities of leakage. He however points out that it can now be made a centre without any difficulty, should Government consider it desirable to accede to the request of the Chief Commissioner. It is submitted that the Chief Commissioner's request may be complied with.

2. The Commissioner makes certain suggestions in paragraphs 2 and 4 of his letter to minimise the chances of leakage. It is submitted that these suggestions may be taken up and dealt with separately. They are only suggestions by way of argument. They are too late for the current year's examinations as last Saturday was the latest day for the submission of applications for them.

N.L.R.—1-8-04.

P.T.T.—2-8-04.

If the Government decide that Mercara is not to be a centre this year—there is still time to make it a centre—the decision will presumably hold good for future years also.

2. If the Government consider it desirable to cease examining Coorg candidates, it may be suggested to Coorg in the answer to their letter that it would be more convenient if Coorg made its own arrangements.

A.G.—2-8-04.

Is anything known as to the qualifications required by public servants in Coorg? Do the examination rules apply?

H. D. TAYLOR—3-8-04.

Submitted that nothing is known about the general education qualifications required for appointments in Coorg, but from the correspondence in G.O., Nos. 43, 44, dated 19th January 1904, it is inferred that no such qualifications are prescribed.

2. As regards special qualifications for certain appointments, Assistant Commissioners and Munsifs have to pass the Madras * Civil and Criminal tests, higher grade; subadars and head munshis, Munsif's court, have to pass the same tests by the * lower, grade. Parpathigars with civil powers and Sarishtadars of Courts of Commissioner, First Assistant Commissioner and Second Assistant Commissioner have to pass the * civil lower and Parpathigars with criminal powers, Sarishtadars of Courts of Commissioner, District Magistrate and Second Assistant Commissioner have to pass the Criminal lower—*vide* notification in G.O., Nos. 676-77, dated 19th October 1886. This is only a draft but no copy of the notification as actually published is available and there is no copy of the *Coorg Gazette* in the library. From the correspondence in G.O., Nos. 43, 44, dated 19th January 1904, it appears that some of our special tests have been actually prescribed for posts in Coorg. Orders are solicited whether a copy of the Coorg notification as actually published should be called for.

P. T. THARYAN—3-8-04.

A. GALLETTI—3-8-04.

It is unnecessary to call for the Coorg notification. G.O., Nos. 43, 44, dated 19th January 1904, make it clear that special tests have been prescribed by the Chief Commissioner for certain posts; hence for convenience of administration, it is desirable that candidates from Coorg should be permitted to appear locally at Mercara.

2. The question must however be subordinated to the general question of reducing the number of centres. If Coorg candidates are allowed to appear at any centre in the Madras Presidency, it will hardly be possible to insist on Coorg bearing any portion of the cost of the examination.

3. I do not see why Coorg should not have special examinations for its own servants.

H. D. TAYLOR—4-8-04.

Coorg though dignified with a Chief Commissioner is a tiny scrap of territory and can't make its own arrangements.

2. Better notify it at once as a centre of examination—for this year at any rate.

G. S. F[ORBES]—6-8-04.

The drafts placed below are submitted for approval.

P.T.T.—6-8-04.

A.G.—8-8-04.

H.D.T.—9-8-04.

[G.O., Nos. 485, 486, Educational, dated 9th August 1904.]

Educational (1904) Department.

CURRENT No. 1254

From

[Name] R. C. H. Mess King Esq., D.C.S.,

[Designation] Secretary to the Chief Commissioner of Coorg,

[Station] Bangalore

No. 1103

Dated 15-7- 1904

Enclosures 1

Received 18-7- 1904

Registered 18-7- 1904

SUBJECT.

Pointing out the omission of Mercara from the list of centres at which Special Test Examinations are held and requesting to amend the notification so as to include Mercara.

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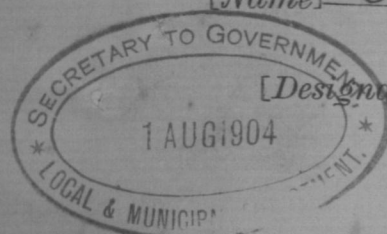
CURRENT No. 1343

From

[Name] The Hon'ble Mr A. G. Bourne, D.Sc., F.R.S.,

[Designation] Commissioner for Government Examinations

[Station] _____



No. 275/28

Dated 29th July 1904

Enclosures one

Received 1-8-1904

Registered 1-8-1904

SUBJECT.

Explaining why Mercara was omitted from the list of centres for the ensuing Special Test Examinations, and stating, with remarks, that it can now be made a centre.

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FURTHER PAPERS.

The Secretary to Government,

Educational Department.

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In reply to your Endorsement, No 381 of
*herewith returned

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Mercara

READ ALSO:—

C. No. 1254, From the Secretary to the Chief Commr., No. 1103, dated 15-7 1904.
George

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ORDER

No. 485, dated 9-8-

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The Commr. for Fort Examinations
will be requested to amend his
notification published at pages 51 st seq
of Part I - B of the Fort St George Gazette
of 28th June 1904 and include increase
in the list of centres at which the
 ensuing Special Test Examinations
will be held.

2. The following letter will be despatched :-

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Letter no. 486 d/q-8 or 9

To the Chief Commr. of Coorg

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with reference to Mr. Moss Kings

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9/8/74

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By H. S. L. 1602
6/8/14

The Commr. for Govt. Examinations has been instructed to amend his notification published in the Fort St George Gazette of 28th June 1904 and include Mercara in the list of centres at which the ensuing Special Test Examinations will be held.

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