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Appointment of a woman - notes recorded.

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VERY URGENT

21, SOUTH MADA ST.,
TRIPPLICANE, MADRAS.

11th JAN. 19 45

TO

THE HONBLE ADVISER,

SIR. A. AUSTIN,

EDUCATION DEPARTMENT,

GOVT. OF MADRAS.

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RE :: APPOINTMENT OF DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC

INSTRUCTION.

DEAR SIR,

IT has been brought to my notice that just now that a woman is the senior most in the official cadre to be promoted to the above post, if the usual routine of promoting a senior is adhered to. It is but just and right that when an opportunity has actually arisen and a woman has by dint of labour and exhibition of her capacity risen to that position she should not be overlooked and some other male appointed just for his sex. At present when girls are entering college in larger numbers and new colleges are being opened out for them in all the provinces of Madras, the Govt. must make it a point to appoint a

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woman as its immediate subordinate so that she might be able to place before it all the necessary suggestions for establishing a first grade women's college and thus save the time and trouble of the Govt.

Evidently the women's Associations have not known of the claims of the Principal of the Queen MARY'S COLLEGE and so they are quite. I am a member in charge of the Legal and Social disabilities sections of the All India Women's Conference and so I am making this strong representation on behalf of the association as well. If a person^{al} discussion will facilitate matters, I request that an interview might be granted to me and some others so that we shall all represent the same in detail. I hope that the Govt. will not let slip this golden opportunity of raising the status of woman by appointing her as the head of the Education DEPARTMENT. HOPING THIS WILL RECEIVE THE FAVOURABLE CONSIDERATION OF THE GOVERNMENT,

YOURS FAITHFULLY,
M. A. Janaki

(M)
From Miss M. A. Janaki of 11-1-45

Appointment of a woman as D. P. J.

Miss Janaki starts off by saying that Miss Myers is the senior-most in the I. E. S. cadre to be promoted as D. P. J. That rests on the assumption that the I. E. S., Men's and Women's Branches, is in a single cadre. Actually they are two different cadres, one for men and the other for women and seniority should be reckoned in each cadre separately. Miss Myers is no doubt the senior of the two officers in the women's branch. But that does not give her a claim for appointment to the Men's branch in which the I. E. S. post of D. P. J. stands included nor can a claim be sustained by reference to Sec. 4 of the G. of I. Act, 1935. ~~Under~~ That section ~~by means of~~ ^{comes into operation} ~~question of imposing sex disqualification~~ ^{only in respect of posts which are not specifically earmarked for either men or women by a general or special order made, for present purposes, the Secy. of State.} In the present instance, the earmarking has been made by the mere fact of labelling the I. E. S. ~~as~~ ^{as} Men's branch and Women's branch. It is therefore clear that Miss Myers cannot be appointed to the I. E. S. post of D. P. J. included in the Men's branch.

2. It is true that there is a proposal

in the Reserved
posts (Other Services)
Rules, 1938

p. 252 et seq.
of the Manual
of Statutory rules

the women's branch ~~of the D.P.I.~~, nor to put it
 as an unallotted post outside the men's and the
 women's branches in which case a woman may
 aim to be appointed as D.P.I., unless of course
 the Prov. Govt. issues a special order ^{under Sec. 275} that a
 woman shall be disqualified for appt. thereof
 by reason of her sex. It may also be stated that in the M.E.S. rules
 no post stands included in the Men's branch to which no woman may be appointed
 For orders whether the interview asked
 by Miss Janaki will be granted.

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I am not prepared to grant
 an interview on this matter.

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For orders whether any reply need be sent to
 Miss M.A. Janaki, if so, a draft ~~memo~~ is
 submitted for consideration.

Y.Y.W.S.

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These notes may be Director of
Public Instruction

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notes needed

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 C. J.

Dear Madam,

D.P.I. - Appointment of a woman -
 Your letter dated 11-1-45 to the Adviser for Edn.

I am to say that the Adviser for

Education does not consider it necessary to
 for an interview on the ^{subject} ~~subject~~, as discussed

To Miss M.A. Janaki
 B.A., B.L.,
 21 South Mada Street,
 Triplicane, Madras.

10.2.45 Y.Y.W.S.

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21, SOUTH MADA ST.,
TRIPPLICANE, MADRAS.

25th Feb. 1945.

TO

HER EXCELLANCY LADY WAVELLY

SIMLA.



RE: APPOINTMENT FOR THE POST OF DIRECTOR OF
PUBLIC INSTRUCTION, MADRAS.

DEAR MADAM,

Another case of injustice to the women's cause is likely to arise, if your Excellency does not intercede in the matter before it is too late and so I am hastening to inform you of the same and pray that your Excellency will see that justice is done to the ladies of higher posts and higher education.

For the above post, the senior most in the official cadre is the Principal of the Queen Mary's College, Mylapore, Madras. But for some reason or other she has not been appointed for the post and her junior in rank has been appointed to act for the same. As the representative of the ALL INDIA Women's Conference, Madras, I addressed the Ma

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Govt. about the same. The Govt. seems to be hesi-
tating about the capacity of a woman to hold high
posts of executive and administrative ^{work} ~~posts~~, and
so I request you to intercede in the matter through
His Excellency Lord Wavell and see that a lady is
actually appointed for the same, and a precedent is
thereby created. New women's colleges have to be
opened out in the Presidency, and on account of
the facilities given to the dependents of military
service personnel, their girls are taking up to
education in larger numbers, and so fresh accommo-
dation and arrangements have to be made for them.
For all these things ~~it~~ it would be easier for a
woman to be the head of the department and at the
same time the merits of women ~~are~~ will be recognised.
Therefore I request you to be kind enough to in-
tercede in the matter and have a lady appointed as
the D. P. I of Madras. Thanking you in anticipation

YOURS FAITHFULLY,

M. A. Janaki.

H. S. V.

Office of the Military Secretary to the Viceroy.

No. 973- M. ^{New Delhi} ~~Simla~~, the 7 March 1945.

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FROM THE MILITARY SECRETARY TO
HIS EXCELLENCY THE VICEROY,

TO The Chief Secy. to the Govt. of
Madras, MADRAS.

Memorandum.

*Letter dated 25 Feb. '45, from Sri M.A. Janaki, BA, BL., Advocate, 21 South Mada Street, Triplicane, Madras. dated 11 Sept. '44. *Forwarded for disposal in continua- tion of this office Memo. No. 355-CS,



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Mity. Secy. to the Viceroy.

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pp1-2
 3D A similar letter addressed to A2
 was received from Miss Tanaka and
 a reply was ~~sent to her~~ ^{sent to her} Dr. 2641A-1
 dated 12-2-45. Attention is solicited
 to the minutes on p2 ref. of the Do. at D.
 No action seems called for on this.
~~It may be filed with papers at 'D'.~~

143/45. For order which is a reply
 should be sent to Miss Tanaka.
 The question relating to the appointment
 of a permanent D.P. 3 is under
 consideration with the question of decision

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16.3.45

No reply is necessary.
 It may be filed with
 the previous papers referred to
 above.

17-3-45

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