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[Despatch Abstract.]

S.S.L.C. - Sri C.T. Gandhi Das - Alteration of the entry relating to community - from Brahmin into Non-Brahmin.

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From: C.T.Thiruvengadam,
Retired Forest Ranger St.,
68 Tholasinga Mudali
P E R A M B U R.

Madras.

Dated, 18.2.46

To

The Secretary to the Government of Madras.
Education and Public Health,
Fort St., George, Madras.

Honoured Sir,

I beg to enclose herewith the copies of the correspondence between me and the Director of Public Instruction, Chepauk, Madras in respect of the change of caste of my son C.T.Gandhi Das alias C.T.Das in the S.S.L.C.register and in the university records.

In my petition dated 21--2--1941 to the Director of Public Instruction I have explained the circumstances which led to the entry of "BRAHMIN" under the heading caste in the S.S.L.C. register and requested him to correct that entry into "NON BRAHMIN" HINDU as I belong to the Chattada Sri Vaishnava community colloquially called "Sattani".

Since my community has been subsequently classified under "backward classes" & I am denied the privileges granted to that community owing to the mistake committed by irresponsible persons who got him admitted into the High School in the beginning.

I now humbly request that necessary notification be caused to be made in the Fort.St. George Gazette that C.T.Gandhi Das alias C.T.Das is a member of the "Chattada Sri Vaishnava" Community and not a BRAHMIN as entered in the S.S.L.C. register and in the University records.

In support of my statement regarding my caste I beg to enclose herewith copy of certificates granted by 2 gazetted officers who know me and my son personally.

My son C.T. Gandhi Das alias C.T.Das has since obtained a B.Sc., degree of the Madras University and could not avail of the benefit granted by the Government to the backward

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classes for reasons stated above.

The originals viz., the Petition to the Director of Public Instruction and his endorsement thereon and the certificates referred to, will be produced, if required.

I beg to remain,
Honoured Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

C. T. Thiruvengadam

ENCLOSURES:-

1. Copy of Petition dated 21--2--41 to the Director of Public Instruction and his endorsement N.Dis. 597 E/41 dated 27-2-41
2. Copy of certificate by Mr. V. S. Krishnaswamy, I.F.S. DY. Conservator of Forests.
3. Copy of certificate by Mr. R. Janardhanam Naidu, B.A.L.T., B.E. (Oxen) D.L.S. (London) F.L.A.

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Secretary to Govt

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From:

C.T. Thiruvengadam,
Forest Range Officer,
SRIHARIKOTA, Nellore Dt.,

To

The Director of Public Instruction,
Chempauk, Madras.

Sir,

I wish to bring to your notice that my son C.T. Gandhi Das is a student in the 1st year intermediate class of Pachaiappa's College. He passed S.S.L.C. examination in March 1940 with 11900 as his register number. In the Fort St. George Gazette recently published he is entered as a BRAHMIN. I am sorry to state that it is a mistake. I am a Non-Brahmin-Hindu belonging to the Chattada Sri Vishnava Community. I request you to kindly make arrangements for the issue of an erratum in the Fort St. George Gazette, correcting Brahmin into Non-Brahmin Hindu and also in the S.S.L.C. book

In this connection I wish to state that by virtue of my service in distant parts I was obliged to resort to the help of my friends in getting admission for my boy both in the High School and College classes and it now transpires that at their instance he was entered as a Brahmin. I was not aware of this until it was brought to my notice quite recently by a relation of mine who is an Inspector of Schools. I very much regret for this mishap and I earnestly request you to do the needful in this matter.

I addressed the Principal Pachaiappa's College on 2--1--41 and he has directed me to refer the matter to you.

I remain, Sir,
Yours truly

Sd/C.T. Thiruvengadam. 21--2--41

Endorsement:

(S.S.L.C. Register for alteration in the entry against caste)
N.Dis. 5975/41 dated 27--2--41.

Returned.

2. Application for alteration in the date of birth caste etc are not entertained after the pupils completes the S.S.L.C.

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course and leave the institution.

Sd// Illegible.

For Director of Public Instruction.

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D.L.S. (Lond.) F.L.A.
(Madras General Service)

Sivaganga Road,
Nungambakkam.

Madras, 6 VIII 1945.

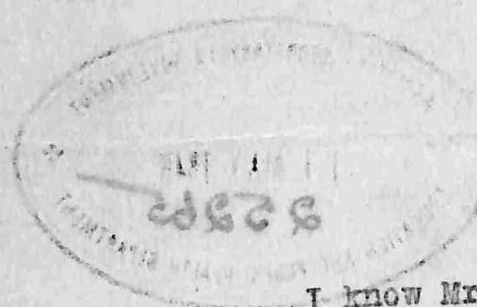
I certify Mr. C.T. Gandhi Das, B.Sc., who is personally known to me, belongs to Chattada Sri Vaishnava community which comes under the Non-Brahmin group of the Madras Presidency.

Sd/- R. Janardhanam Naidu

(Gazetted Officer)

True Copy

To the Secretary to the Government of Madras,
Public Instruction Department, Madras.



I know Mr. C.T. Das son of Mr. C.T. Thiruvengadam, Retired Forest Officer, ever since 1934. He comes of a well known Sattada Vaishnava family of Cuddalore. His father served in the Madras Forest Department for about 30 years and has left an excellent record for efficiency and integrity.

The young man has passed the B.Sc., examination recently with Chemistry (Main) and Botany and Military Science (Subsidiary). He is of very active habits and has very pleasant manners. His character and conduct are very good.

I have great pleasure in wishing this young man every success in life. I am sure he will acquit himself well in any position of trust and responsibility.

Camp: Gudalur
16--8--1945

(True Copy)

Sd//V.S. Krishnaswamy, I.F.S.
Dy. Conservator of Forests.

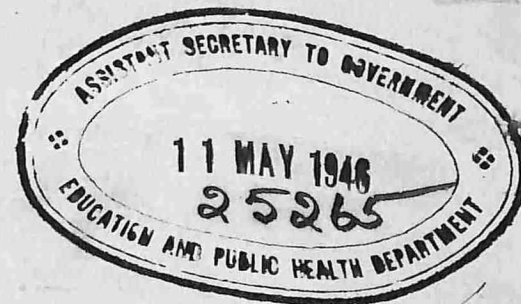
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Office of the Director of
Public Instruction, Madras.

2. The petitioner made a similar request in 1941 to this office and he was informed that his request could not be entertained.

4. The S.S.L.C. of the pupil is enclosed herewith. It may be returned to me for my corrections if Government approve of the change.

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Order/Ms. No. 1250. Edn., dated 25-6-1946.

2. The S.S.L.V. of the pupil is herewith
turned returned, ~~the receipt of~~
~~which may please be acknowledged~~

To ~~The Petr. through the D.P.I.~~ (with
copy to D.P.I. ~~1/8~~ S.C.H. ~~1/8~~ Enclosure)

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S.S.L.C. - Sri C.T. Gandhi Das - Alteration of the entry relating to community from Brahmin into Non-Brahmin.

C.No.9837/46 - Petition from Sri C.T. Tiruvengadam, Retired Forest Ranger, Perambur, dated 18-2-1946.
Endorsement of the D.P.I.R.O.C. No. 410-E/46 dated 9-5-1946.

Sri C.T. Tiruvengadam, Retired Forest Ranger, Perambur, requests that the entry 'Brahmin' against 'Nationality, caste or religion' in the S.S.L.C. of his son, Sri C.T. Gandhi Das, may be changed into 'Non-Brahmin' as he belongs to the Chattada Sri Vaishnava community which comes under the Non-Brahmin Group. He has produced two certificates to prove that his son belongs to the community referred to above.

2. Under rule 5 of the ~~Subordinate~~ Subsidiary rules of the S.S.L.C. applications for alterations of the entries in the S.S.L.C. should not be entertained after a pupil has completed his school course and appeared for the S.S.L.C. Examination. In G.O.No.954 Edn., dated 23-6-1941, the Govt. have ~~however~~ stated that they have however no objection to the correction of obviously absurd mistakes in the certificate after the pupil has left the School. In 1941, the petitioner applied to the D.P.I. for alteration of the entry but he refused to comply with the request. As he has now produced satisfactory evidence in support of his request and as the D.E.O., Madras, has ascertained from the School records maintained in the Sir M.C.T. Muthiah Chettiar's High School, Puraswalkam and R.B.C.C.C. High School, Perambur, that the entry 'Andhra Vaishnava' and 'Non-Brahmin' respectively have been made, the D.P.I. recommends compliance with the petitioner's request.

3. It is not clear why the petitioner did not apply to Govt. soon after his request was turned down by the D.P.I.

Obviously, the change is now asked for with a view to derive the advantage which a member of gets the benefit of a backward class for admission to Public Service. It has been pointed out by the Advocate-General in another case that in G.O.No.954 Edn., dated 23-6-41, the

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Government have given the D.P.I. the widest discretion and that whenever a case of bona fide mistake or manifest injustice is brought to notice, despite all the general rules, he ought to make the alteration. The D.P.I. may therefore be permitted to alter the entry as required by the petitioner.

Public (Service) may see for remarks.

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Notes at pp. 1-2 above maybe
permitted & the file returned to E. & P. H. No
remarks seem to be called for in this
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E. & P. H. (B.)

A draft order is submitted for approval. *Indicus*
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