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G.O. NO. Ms. 991 Edn.

Dated the 13-5-1947.

[Despatch Abstract.]

College - Engineering - Age limit for admission - Raised.

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G.O.	No.	Department.	Date.	G.O.	No.	Department.	Date.
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Tell by post of 5-2-29

From the Asst. Secy to Govt. Edu and P.H. Dept
To the Dy S.P.D.

Please let me know urgently when the age limit of 20 was first laid down for admission to the Engr. class in the Govt. Eng College, Guindy and also the ^{relevant} No and date of the G.O.

Please also say whether there are any orders to the effect that a certain proportion of the seats must be given to intermediates and a certain proportion to graduates. Information as to the number of graduates admitted in all the Eng colleges this year and their proportion to the total number of students admitted should also be given.

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Handwritten notes on lined paper, mostly illegible due to bleed-through and fading. Some visible words include: "The age limit of 20 was first laid down in the year 1911 for admission to the Engineer class in the Government Engineering College, Madras, and the same is published in the Fort St. George Gazette dated 11-7-1911 Part I - P. page 396- Notification No. 74 dated 2-7-1911."

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Office of the Director of Public Instruction, Madras, dated 7-3-1947.

From: Mr. P. V. S. Rao, M.A., B.Sc., I.T.E., Director of Public Instruction, Madras.

To: The Assistant Secretary to Government, Education and Public Health Department.

Sub: Age limit for admission into the Engineering Colleges.

Ref: Your Post copy of the telephone message, dated 5-2-47.

A copy of the letter of the Principal, College of Engineering, Guindy, No. 1-45/47, dated 26-2-1947 is submitted herewith which contains the particulars called for except for the Vizagapatam college which will be furnished as soon as they are received.

for Director of Public Instruction.

Copy of the letter referred to above.

The age limit of 20 was first laid down in the year 1911 for admission to the Engineer class in the Government Engineering College, Madras, and the same is published in the Fort St. George Gazette dated 11-7-1911 Part I - P. page 396- Notification No. 74 dated 2-7-1911.

There are no orders to the effect that a certain proportion of the seats must be given to Intermediates and a certain proportion to Graduates.

Information as to the number of Graduates admitted in all the Engineering Colleges this year (1946) and their proportion to the total number of students, admitted, is furnished, below:-

Name of College.	Total admitted.	No. of Graduates admitted.	Proportion of Graduates to the total number of admission.
1. College of Engineering, Guindy.	124	16	12.9%
2. College of Engineering, Alantapur at Guindy.	50	1	2%
3. Arthur Hope College of Technology, Coimbatore.	96	10	10.4%

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SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT
EDUCATION AND PUBLIC HEALTH DEPT.

Information regarding, Vizagapatnam Engineering College, has been submitted on its receipt from the Principal, who has been asked to report on the matter.

For Director of Public Instruction.

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Education Department.

From
Dr. S.R.U.Savoor, M.A., D.Sc., I.E.S.,
Director of Public Instruction, Madras.



The Secretary to Government,
Education and Public Health Department, Madras.

Kc.No.2484 K2/46 dated 12-3-1947.

Sub: Age limit for admission to the Engineering Colleges.

Ref: i) Telephonic message by post dated 5-2-1947.
ii) My letter Kc.2484 K2/46 dated 7-3-47.

In continuation of my letter referred to above, I have the honour to furnish hereunder the particulars in respect of the Engineering College, Cocanada.

Total admitted.	No. of graduates admitted.	Percentage.
105	6	5.7

for Director of Public Instruction.

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To The A.S., E.D. #
To the Dy D.P.I.

Sub: Age limit for admission to Engg. Colleges - Relaxation.

From the D.P.I., no. 2684 Ksl/46 d 7-3-47
d 12-3-47

P. let me know the
no. and date of the C.O. in which the age limit
of 20 was prescribed for admission to the Engineer
class of the College of Engg., Coimbatore. The information
required by the Govt. is not available in the F.S.C.
Gazette referred to by the Director in his letter d 7-3-47

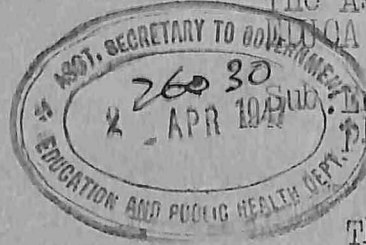
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POST COPY OF TELEPHONIC MESSAGE DATED 29th MARCH, 1947.

From The Director of Public Instruction, Madras.

To The Assistant Secretary to Government,
EDUCATION AND PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT.



Sub: Engineering Colleges-Age limit for admission - Your Tele-
phonic Message (By Post) dated 22-3-1947.

The age limit of 20 was approved in G.O. No..451 Edn., dated
8-7-1911.

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for Director of Public Instruction.

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Memo. No. 34303 A/46-2 Ednd 3-5-47

Sub. Engg. College Students - Medical inspection

Under the rules relating to admission to Engg. Colleges, Candidates selected are required to produce a medical certificate from a Certified Medical Officer that they are fit for out-door work. ~~of the Public Works Dept.~~ The Principal, Engg. College, Guindy has pointed out instances in which Candidates with physical deformities had produced ~~such~~ medical certificates, declaring them fit for out-door work. As the existing system ~~of medical examination of students~~ is found to be defective, it has been suggested that the Principals of Engg. Colleges may interview the Candidates selected before they are actually admitted to the respective Colleges and ^{that} they may ask those students whom they consider physically unfit to produce medical certificates ~~from~~ ^{issued by a} ~~of the~~ Presidency Surgeon or ^a D.M.O. ~~concerned~~. The S.G. is requested to offer his remarks on the suggestion and if he is agreeable, ~~to the suggestion~~, to state whether any fee should be ~~be~~ ^{be} prescribed for the ~~Medical Officers~~ ^{purpose} to examine the ~~eng~~ students and if so, to suggest a suitable rate. ~~of fees~~.

To The S.G.
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College - Engr. - Age limit for admission - Raised.

READ AGAIN _____, dated _____ 19 _____

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READ ALSO:-

No. 38491 From the D.P.S., No. 2284 K2 dated 3.5.1947

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Order Ms. No. Edn 99, dated 13.5.1947
Resolution Rout.

The Govt direct that the age limit for admission to the Engr. classes in the Govt Engr. colleges be raised from 20 to 22. The special concession of allowing two more years to Muslim and Oriya candidates, candidates belonging to the scheduled castes and those coming from the Agency tracts will be continued.

2 The age limit of 20 for admission to the L. G. E. class will continue to be in force pending a decision on the question of abolition of this course raised by the Director separately.

3 The D.P.S. is requested to suggest suitable amendments to the rules relating to the constitution and working of the College of Engr. Juniors.

To the D.P.S.

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Memo No. 37303 A/46-2 E.M. & 125-47
Eng. Colleges - Admission - Medical
inspection of students -
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The S.G. is informed that
Memo No. 37303 A/46-2 E.M. & 3.5.47 1906
is cancelled and that he need not
submit the report called for in
the memo.

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R.No.33007-E2.

Office of the Surgeon-General
with the Govt. of Madras,
Madras 6, dated 20th May 1947.

From

Col. S.L.Bhatia, C.I.E., M.C., M.A., M.D., F.R.C.P. (Lond),
I.M.S.,

Surgeon-General with the Govt. of Madras, Madras.

To

The Secretary to Government,
Education and Public Health Department, Madras.

Sir,

Subject:- Engineering College students- Medical
inspection.

Reference:- Government Memorandum No.37303-A/46-2
Education dated 3-5-1947.

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I have to state that the suggestion that such
of the candidates selected for admission to the Engineering
Colleges who are considered physically unfit by the
Principals of the Engineering Colleges after a personal
interview may be required to present themselves for a second
medical opinion by a District Medical Officer or a Civil
Surgeon, implies that the medical certificates granted by the
Gazetted Medical Officers are defective. As the Principals
of the Engineering Colleges are lay men, I do not consider
it advisable to permit them to examine the candidates and
express an opinion as to the physical fitness or otherwise
of the latter and to call for a second medical opinion from
a Civil Surgeon or a District Medical Officer on the medical
certificate

certificates already produced by the candidates from a Gazetted Medical Officer. Candidates appointed to executive posts in Government service are required to produce a certificate of physical fitness at the time of entry into Government service and no second opinion is called for subsequently. In order to ensure that only candidates who are fit for outdoor work and are free from constitutional defects or physical deformities are selected for admission to the Engineering Colleges, I suggest that, instead of the present form of Medical Certificate, a special form may be prescribed which may contain detailed information regarding weight, height, chest measurement, blood pressure, vision, urine test and also whether the candidate is suffering from any deformities or skin diseases.

Your obedient servant,

M. A. Rao 20/5

for Surgeon-General with the Govt. of Madras.

E. S. H. (A)

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The orders in the Govt Memo. quoted on p 1 above have since been cancelled. No action is therefore called for on the S.G.'s letter. It may be added to C.O. 991 Emd 13547.

E. S. H. (A)
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Memo. No. 53490 A/47 1 Emd & 28-6-47.

Engg. Colleges - Medical inspection of students.

Ref From the D.P.I., No. 2484 Kz 14623-51

C.O. 991 Emd 13-5-47

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also p. 14 of 2

In the circumstances reported by the D.P.I. in his letter cited, the Govt. have dropped the question of changing the existing system for the production of medical certificates by the Engg. Colleges students.

To *p. 6 up and*
The D.P.I.

E. S. H. (A)
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From A. Satyanarayana -
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Station Gudwara,
Date 20.6.46

Station Gudwara

Date 20-6-46

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SECRETARY, EDN. AND P. H. DEPT.
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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS

Government of Madras
Fort St. George

to bring the following to your kind consideration
in immediate action.

The age limit for Candidates seeking admission into the Engineering College - Gandy etc is 20 yrs by 30th June of the year seeking admission.

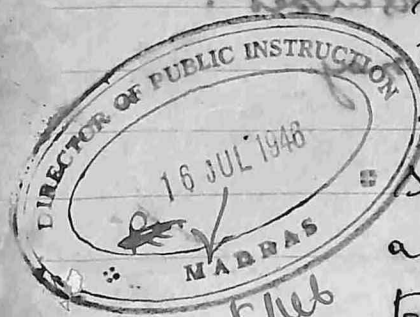
This limit is relaxed in the case of Mohammedans & some backward classes — The rule applies to the S.S.C., Candidates for L.C.E., Intermediates for B.E.; as well as for Graduates for B.E. class.

In the Case of Intermediate the age limit does not cause hardship since normally a Candidate, according to Educational rules, passes S.S.L.C by 15 yrs and Inter 17 yrs (full) so he has a Margin of 2 to 3 years for trials as well as for unforeseen contingencies -

A Candidate can become a graduate & take his degree only after completing 19 yrs by 1st March of the year of graduation.

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26. Pl. see the petition and pp 2 above
 The existing rule is that candidates seeking admission into Engg. Colleges should be under 20 years of age on the 30th June of the year of admission. The request in the petition is that this rule should be relaxed in the case of Graduate and Hons. graduates seeking admission to the College and that the age limit for them may be fixed at 21 years.



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A pass in the Intermediate Exam. in a subject deemed sufficient of the Madras University with Mathematics, Physics and Chemistry as optional subjects or a pass in an Exam. accepted by the DPI as equivalent thereto, is considered sufficient to undergo the Engg. Course. In view of this there seems to be no point in relaxing the age rule for Graduates & Hons graduates whose qualifications are already It is the look out of these students to get over the Arts Courses before they attain the age of 20, if they want to take up the Course of Engg. In the circumstances, it is for orders whether the petitioner's request may be negatived.

The remarks of the S.P.D. near he obtained on the petition.

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It is not feasible in normal course to pass the S.L.C. before one completes 15. It will have to be possible for any candidate to pass the B.A. or B.Sc. before he completes 19, or to know before he

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In his case he has only not even one chance to apply for B.E. class if by unforeseen circumstances he happens to take the degree year late or loses a chance in selection one year. Thus this "age limit" rule 20 yrs by 30th June is a real hindrance to the Graduate and it is great injustice if it is put into operation strictly.

I hear the principals of the Eng. Colleges have been relaxing it before but now they are rejecting the graduates over 20 yrs.

In other Courses, Medical, Agriculture, Veterinary (Degree Courses) there is no age limit at all except that the Candidate should be 17 yrs. In other Universities in India the age limit is 21 yrs to Engineering Students and in some there is no limit prescribed. The Benares has 21 yrs.

So I request you to go into this question and issue instructions to relax the rule to 21 yrs at least (one year more) to Graduates & Honors graduates seeking admission into B.E. classes. and thus do great help to the Graduates who will be otherwise precluded from having the chance of becoming Engineers this year.

Yours obedient servant,
 Achanta Satyanarayana
 Secy, Kt. District Teachers' Guild

Encl. I. Rules of Govt. College

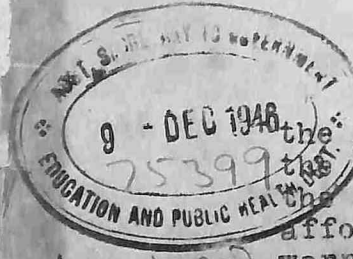
complete 20. As long as he permit
B.S.E. and B.A.S. to seek admission into
to Engineering college, we must make it possible
for him to join within the age limit prescribed.
I think the request is very reasonable & may
be allowed. D.P.I. may see 4.0
B.J.C.

D.P.I. (4.0) Edn. No. 37303A/46-1
13-7-46

U.O. Reply No. 2484 K/46. Office of the D.P.I.,
Madras, 7th Decr. 1946.

Ref: Govt. Edn. U.O. No. 37303A/46-1 dated 13-7-46.

Resubmitted.



2. The question of relaxing the age limit for admission to the Engineering Colleges was referred to the Board of Visitors of the College of Engineering, Guindy. At their meeting held on 8-11-46 the Board felt that the age limit of 20 years was too low, as it afforded no time for an intermediate to get some sort of practical training before admission into the college. While the Board was not in favour of completely removing the age restriction, they recommended the raising of the age limit to 22 years for the present. I agree with the recommendation of the Board.

3. In this connection, the Principal, Arthur Hope College of Technology, Coimbatore, has raised the question of medical certificate. Under the present rules candidates selected have to produce a medical certificate from a Gazetted Government Medical Officer that they are fit for out-door work of the Public Works Department. The Principal has pointed out instances in which candidates with deformities had produced such certificates and has recommended that the production of medical certificates might be abolished. This question was also considered by the Board of Visitors and they were of the opinion that a medical certificate was necessary but that this should be given by a properly constituted Medical Board. This examination by a Medical Board may be held after the preliminary selection of boys for admission so that a very large number may not be examined. I also agree with the recommendation of the Board.

S.R. Savar.

To The Secretary to Government,
Education & Public Health Department.

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Pl. see the notes from p 3 ante. The

D.P.I. recommends that the age limit

(1) the age limit for admission

to Eng. Colleges may be raised from 20 to 22 years for the present

(2) the ~~present~~ ^{system} of asking candidates to produce a medical certificate from a Gazetted Govt. Medical Officer may be discontinued and that the candidates may be examined by a properly constituted Medical Board after the preliminary selection is over.

Proposal (2) above

This may be accepted. Under the existing rules the age limit shall be extended by two years in the case of Muslim and Oriya candidates; candidates belonging to the Scheduled castes and those coming from the Muzrai tracts. This special concession may also remain.

The age limit ~~20~~ ²² applies to d.b.e. course also. It seems unnecessary to raise it to 22, as the minimum qualification prescribed for admission to this course is only a pass in the S.S.L.C.

Proposal (2) above

~~To put 300 students will be admitted~~
to the various Eng. Colleges every year. To get all these students examined by a Medical Board will be a stupendous task involving a lot of addl. expenditure and trouble to all concerned. The present system has been in vogue for a very long time and no other Principal has found fault with it. It seems that there is no case to change the system. For order.

The S.S.L.C. should, it seems, be consulted if a change is to be made. In these cases Medical Bds need not be asked to examine. If surgeons or civil surgeons would be with him.

The Principal can interview the candidates selected before they are actually admitted and if he considers any case

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those he considers physically
unfit, to produce medical
certificates from ^{one of} the President's
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TSA H.M. (Edw)
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The S.C. may be consulted in
the first instance. A draft memo. is submitted.

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Issued as Memo No 37303 Alub-2 Edw & 3547
From the D.P.I. No 2484-Kr lub & 3547.

p 9 CF
p 11 CF

In the circumstances ~~no~~
reported by the D.P.I. in his letter on p 11 CF, it
~~change is necessary in~~
~~for consideration whether the existing~~
~~system of medical examination of students.~~
~~The S.C. may be uniform. If the memo on page 9 CF may be treated as cancelled~~
~~may be continued. If it is not decided, the~~
~~S.C. may be asked to treat the Memo on~~
~~p 9 CF as cancelled.~~

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~~After orders are passed on this~~
~~question, action will be taken on proposals~~
~~referred to on p 5 ante.~~

A draft order is subd with reference
to A on page 5 ante.

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