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[Despatch Abstract.]

S.S.L.C. Pub. Examination - Early publication of results - irregularities - report of the C.E.E. Papers recorded.

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ENDORSEMENT No. 44264/43/48-1. Edu. d. 18.6.48.

S.S.I.C. Public Examination 1948 -
Publication of the results - Irre-
gularities.

A copy of the minutes of H.M.(Edn) is which
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and he is requested to submit his remarks immediately
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Endt. no. 44264.93.48.2. Edn. 2/2.7.48.

S.S. 2.e - Public Exam. 1948.
Delay in distribution of certi-
cate books.

A copy of the minutes of H.M (Edn)
on the subject noted above is communicated
to the e.g.E. in continuation of Government
Memo. no. 44264.93.48.1. Edn. dated 18.6.48. and
he is requested to submit his remarks
immediately to govt.

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To the e.g.E (with
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S.S.L.C. Examination - 1948 - Publication of results.

R.C.No.479-B/48.

Station:--Madras.

Dated the 26th June, 1948.

From (Name) SRI D. S. REDDI, M.A., (Oxon)., M.B.E.,
(Designation) Commissioner for Government Examinations,
Madras.

To

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

Sir,

Reference:--Government Memorandum No.44264/G3/48-1,
Education, dated 18th June 1948. *p.1 mlt*

I have the honour to state that at the time when the eligible list was published on 4th June 1948, whole results of certain schools and those of individual candidates had to be withheld for the following reasons. In one school, on account of the destruction of the attendance register due to a fire accident, the attendance of candidates could not be entered in their certificates. The results of another school had to be kept back on account of suspected large scale malpractice. In many individual cases, the results had to be withheld on account of various reasons such as non-receipt of S.S.L.Certificates, non-receipt of orders of condonation of break in study, shortage in attendance, change of optionals, etc. Within a week, most of the objections relating to whole schools had been settled and the S.S.L.Certificates were available for completion. As and when the objections were satisfied, the results of these cases were published in three subsequent lists. The moderation rules of the Universities are complicated and when the pass list originally prepared is reviewed for publication in the Gazette, it is usual, each year, ever since the moderation system came into vogue, to make some changes in the pass list by way of deleting certain numbers and adding some after applying the moderation principles. The cases of the above types this year are less than 20 and when compared with the large number of candidates for the examination of 1948 viz., 56,300 candidates, the correction involved is negligible. I may add also that of these 20, only in 12 cases candidates who were first declared to have been eligible, were deleted from the list published in dailies. Some mistakes are inevitable in all examinations of this magnitude and this does not disclose any defect in the working of the S.S.L.C. Examination system. Formerly, the additions to and deletions from the pass list were not published in the dailies but merely communicated to the candidates or schools and the Universities concerned. It was however published in the dailies this year for the benefit of the parties affected and to relieve them from the suspense. It is therefore not correct to say that in no year a candidate who was at first declared to have passed, was later on found to be not eligible. Every year corrections to the provisional eligible list have been made and for this reason it was notified that this list was only provisional and subject to correction and that the list to be published in the Gazette in the name of the University was only the final one. The number of eligibles exceeds 26,000 this year. The Universities and other examining bodies having to deal with a far less number of candidates than that for the S.S.L.C. Examination, notify corrections to the pass list announced in the dailies.

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Regarding the non-despatch of S.S.L.C. books, the following table shows the details regarding the despatch of books in 1945, 1946, and 1948, (1947 being a special year when re-examination had to be held is not taken into consideration). The books are despatched only after the particulars in the proof copy of eligible list are checked with the original entries in the S.S.L.Cs. The proof of the eligible list was received from the Government Press in batches of 25 to 30 pages each day from the 10th instant only and the corrected proofs returned to the Press the same day or the next day. The certificates of the schools the eligible list of which had been scrutinised were bundled and got ready for despatch. In fact, the books for schools in the City were ready for despatch even on 16th June 1948. If the city schools are given the certificate books before the despatch of the certificates of mufassal schools, the city students will have an advantage over others in securing admission in Colleges in the city, while even the best boys in the mufassal may be shut out owing to seats having been filled up by those who get the certificates early. As a result of the complaints made about this some years ago by several mufassal headmasters, the certificate books of all the mufassal schools are sent on the same day while those of the city schools on the day following the despatch to the mufassal schools. This year, the certificate books of the Andhra University area were despatched on 14-6-1948. Certificates in the Madras University area upto Dharapuram were despatched on 19th June 1948, and books of schools in Malabar, South Kanara District, Pudukkottai and Bangalore, and Madras City and remaining schools in Coimbatore District were despatched on 21st June 1948. It will therefore be seen that there was nothing abnormal in this year and considering that there was an increase of nearly 24,000 candidates in 1948 over the number in 1946, the short delay of about a week to complete the despatch of certificates to all the schools cannot be considered as a serious one.

STATEMENT OF WORK CONNECTED WITH S.S.L.C. EXAMINATION.

Year.	No. of candidates presented.	Date on which eligible list was sent to press.	Date on which proof first batch was received.	Date of Despatch of first batch of certificates.
1945	31,300	21-5-45	4-6-45	11-6-45
1946	32,600	20-5-46	2-6-46	10-6-46
1948	56,300	25-5-48	10-6-48 to 18-6-48	14-6-48 (Andhra area) 19/21-6-48 (Madras area)

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

M. Mangarajulu
FOR COMMISSIONER.

P.M. / 28-6-48. Jcw

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Subject:

S.S.L.C. Public Examination, 1948 - Delay in despatch of certificate books.

R.C.No.479-B/48.

Station:-Madras.

Dated the 7th JULY, 1948.

From (Name) SRI D. S. REDDI, M.A., (Oxon)., M.B.E.,
(Designation) Commissioner for Government Examinations,
M A D R A S .

To

The Secretary to Government,
Education and Public Health Department,
Fort St. George, M A D R A S .

Sir,

With reference to para 1 of the minute of the Hon'ble Minister for Education, dated the 24th June, 1948 regarding delay in the despatch of S.S.L.Certificate books this year communicated in Government Endorsement No.44264-G3/48-2, Education, dated 2nd July, 1948, I have the honour to state that my reply was submitted to Government in this office R.C.No. 479-B/48, dated 26th June, 1948.

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The replies to Government references asking me to check up the answer papers of certain candidates against whom suspicion was entertained, were submitted to Government in my D.O. letters No.466-B/48, dated 28th June, 1948 and 3rd July, 1948.

Yours Faithfully,

Pr. Ganapayalath
7.7.48

FOR COMMISSIONER.

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To

The C.S.E. (with copy of
minutes for p.3 N7)

Copy to the D.P.D. (with encl)

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Ed P.H.(83)
Memo no. 44264 83/48-3 Edn. dated 15-7-48
S.S. L. C. Public Exam - Publication
of results and distribution of
certificate books. - Suggestions regarding
Ref. from the C.S.E., D.C. no. 479-B/48 dated
26-6-48 and 7-7-48.

A copy of the minutes of H.M.(Edn)
on the subject cited above is communicated
to the C.S.E. and the ~~C.S.E.~~ ^{Re} is requested
to report to Govt. in due course the action
taken by him in the matter.

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8.8.1. C. Public Exam. Publication of results
and distribution of Certificate books -
Suggestions regarding.

Memo. No. 44264/43/48-4 Edu. d. 15.7.48.

Memo. No. 44264/43/48-4 Edu. d. 8/12/48

The attention of the C. of E.
is invited to the memo cited above
and he is requested to expedite
his reply to the same.

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To the C. of E.

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SUBJECT.

S.S.L.C. Public Examination - Publication of results and distribution of certificate books.

R.C.No.479-B/48.

dated 12-12-1948.

Station: Madras.

From (Name) Sri D.S.Reddi, M.A., (Oxon)., M.B.E.,
(Designation) Commissioner for Government Examinations,
M A D R A S.

To
The Secretary to Government,
Education and Public Health Department,
Fort St. George, M a d r a s.

Sir,

Ref: Government Memorandum No. 44264/G3/48-3 Edn.,
dated 13-7-1948.

The matter will be considered by the Examination Sub-Committee of the Board of Secondary Education in this week and as soon as - their suggestions are received, I shall submit my remarks to Government.

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12.12.48
for COMMISSIONER.

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SUBJECT.

S.S.L.C. Public Examination - Early publication of results and despatch of books.

Station: Madras.

R.C.No.479-B/48,

dated 8-2-1949.

From (Name): Sri D.S.Reddi, M.A., (Oxon)., M.B.E.,
(Designation) Commissioner for Government Examinations,
M A D R A S.

To

The Secretary to Government,
Education and Public Health Department,
Fort St. George, M a d r a s.

Sir,

Ref: Government Memorandum - No. 44264-G3/48-3 Edn.,
dated 15-7-1948.

I have the honour to state that the Government Memorandum together with the remarks of the Hon'ble the Minister for Education were placed before the Examination Sub Committee of the Board of Secondary Education and its remarks are given below.

"In regard to the question of expediting the publication of the S.S.L.C. Public Examination results, the following suggestions are made.

- X | (a) Until separate S.S.L.C. Boards are constituted on a linguistic basis, the present system may continue, with additional staff in the office.
- Y | (b) The Universities may be requested to consider the feasibility of reducing the number of statements (45 statements for two Universities together) prepared for the consideration of the Moderation Board.
- M | (c) Arrangements may be made to advance the date of receipt of the mark books from the Chief and additional Examiners in the office by the 25th April every year, instead of 1st May, so that the tabulations may be commenced earlier. The meetings of Additional Examiners may be finished before the end of March.
- N | (d) In pursuance of resolution No. XI of the Board passed at its meeting held on the 14th August 1948, instructions may be issued to have five specimen answer papers valued by each Assistant Examiner and approved by the Chief at the meeting."

2. I shall give my remarks on the recommendations of the Committee. I fully agree with the view that it is not possible at present to constitute regional Boards on linguistic basis. The present system of having one Secondary Education Board for the whole Province can continue with the staff of the Commissioner's Office strengthened substantially. The present staff, including the addition recently sanctioned, is not at all adequate to efficiently manage in a short compass of time this important confidential work expeditiously. The suggestion that the Universities may be requested to demand only a lesser number of hard cases statements for the moderation committees is a sound one. The Andhra University now requires 46 statements and Madras University about 20. Considerable time is taken up in preparing them. The preparation involves the striking of several averages and the permutation and combination of several figures.

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However, the Universities will be addressed in the matter. The third suggestion is to advance the date of the examination. At present the examination is over by the end of March and at least 3 weeks time is required for the Assistant Examiners to value the answer papers after receipt of instructions for valuation. The Assistant Examiners send their mark books to the Chief Examiners by the 25th April and the Chief Examiners have a week's time to check up the entries of marks and forward the mark books to this office by the 1st May. This time cannot be shortened without affecting the standard of valuation. More time should be given for valuation of the scripts. This will be possible if the date of examination is advanced. I am consulting the heads of High Schools as to the feasibility of this suggestion and will take suitable action in this direction. The fourth suggestion of the Committee is not practicable, as it will be impossible for the Chief Examiner to satisfy himself at the meeting of the Chief and Assistant examiners about the correctness of marking in the five answer papers, as the Chief Examiner would have to examine in all about 100 answer papers valued by the Assistant Examiners at the end of the meeting. The usual practice of the assistants sending 10 or 15 valued scripts (trial batch papers) after receipt of the instructions for valuation to the Chief Examiner concerned for his approval and issue of such supplemental instructions as may be necessary by the Chief Examiner based on his scrutiny of the trial batch papers, has been working well and may be continued. It is also not desirable to ask the Assistant Examiners to take the answer papers to the Examiners' meeting as they may be lost during the journey.

3. The valuation of the scripts can be hastened if more examiners are appointed, but this cannot be done without increasing the rate of remuneration for valuing the answer papers. At present an Assistant Examiners gets about Rs. 175 to 200 for the March session and about Rs. 75 for the October session. If this amount is reduced further by increasing the number of examiners, an examinership will not be attractive. Government have however refused to consider the question of raising the rate of remuneration for valuing answer papers until the examination according to the re-organized scheme of Secondary Education comes into effect. I would urge Government to reconsider their decision and immediately improve the rate of remuneration for valuing the scripts and for the supervising agency - vide my letters R.C.No.672-B/46, dated 9-10-'47, and 26-8-1948.

4. Another stage of work which retards the early announcement of the results is the striking of the averages. The averages for each of about 12 to 15 subjects for each of about 700 High Schools as well as the Presidency Average for each subject have to be calculated for entry in the S.S.L.C. The school average serves no practical purpose. The only purpose served by it is that the Inspecting Officers at the time of Inspection can find out how the school averages compare with the Presidency average in each subject. If the striking of the school average is dispensed with, about four days time can be gained. The Board of Secondary Education will be asked to state whether this can be dispensed with and suitable action will be taken on the receipt of its reply. The application of the complicated moderation rules to thousands of cases by referring to the mark sheets as well as certificates of the candidates naturally causes delay which cannot be helped unless the eligibility rules are simplified. I would like to mention one point at this stage that there is not a single examination like the Madras S.S.L.C. where the results as well as the certificates with the marks entered

in them are despatched within such a short time to the several thousands of candidates (56,200 for the examination of March 1948).

In spite of the phenomenally large number of candidates who appeared for the examination of March 1948, the certificates would have gone much earlier from this office if only the Press had been able to send the proof of the eligible lists earlier.

As suggested by the Hon'ble Minister for Education, I have appointed another Sub-Committee to go through the malpractice cases and to expedite the completion of the certificates implicated in malpractice reports.

M. J. Anganayalath
S. Secy.
For COMMISSIONER.

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Secretary, E.& P.H.

I understand from the reporters to-day that three lists have been published continuously by the S.S.L.C. Board and in the revised list, some people who have been declared to have passed before are later on declared to have failed. This is a very terrible way of doing things. We do not seem to be understanding the sentiments of these boys. It must produce very bad effect both on the parents and the children. This also is a sign of inefficiency of the working of the Board. The Commissioner of the Board may be asked to explain the reasons why these things should be done.

This is not the way in which things were done in the past and ⁱⁿ ~~no year, it is usually said,~~ ^{ordinarily} that people who have been declared to have passed are found to be failed in the later list. The explanation may be called for as soon as possible.

I also understand that though it is 11 days since the results have been published, books have not been even returned to the local schools in the city. Without getting the books, those boys are not able to apply with their marks for admission to colleges. This delay also, I understand, is extraordinary this year. That also may be looked into.

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15-6-48
H.M. Education.
~~Edn. & P.H. (G3) & P.H.~~

Copy to the D.P.I.

Edn. & P.H. (G3).

Please see the minutes of H.M. (Edn) above.

~~Mem. to the C.E.E.~~

A draft ~~Edn.~~ ^{is} submitted for approval.

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(issued as memo. no. 44264-93-48-Edn-2/18/6/48)
~~Please see the minutes of H.M. (Edn) above.~~

Secretary, E. & P.H.

I think I have sent already a note asking for the extraordinary delay in the distribution of the Certificate books of the S.S.L.C. Examination. This year, the delay has been extraordinary that even till today, the books have not reached the institutions and it has been difficult for them to apply for the various colleges for admission. The Commissioner for Government Examinations may be asked to explain the reason for the delay.

We had also sent from time to time certain numbers about which suspicions were entertained, to check up their examination papers. What has happened to those enquiries? The result may also be reported.

H.M. Education.

E.P.H. (1937)



It is true that the large number of people appearing for the examinations has been responsible for this unusual delay. The D.P.I. may be asked to devise ways and means of doing it more efficiently from the next year. Next year, the numbers are bound to be larger than this year. As the nos. become larger, we must also organise it to meet it on that scale. I may suggest two things for consideration of the D.P.I. (1) Examination Boards on the regional basis so that each Board will have in it a small number to tackle with and (2) increasing the no. of examiners or the no. of mal-practices committee or any other organizations that may be set up to go into various matters dealing with examination so that they may be able to publish results earlier.

This year, I understand, the mistakes in calculation have also been many and the D.P.I. must also take steps to avoid them and bring it to the minimum.

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Please see the minutes above. A draft Memo is submitted for approval.

[Memo no. 44264 83/44-3 Edn dated 15-7-48]

The draft memo reminder to the C. G. E. is for approval.

please see the further minutes on H.M. (Edn) sent above. A copy of the minutes may be communicated to the C.G.E. in continuation of the memo. on p. 1 of. A draft. Encl. is submitted for approval.

With reference to para 2 of the minutes reference is made to the top file (dislinked) and old (separately on 3748)

(Issued as Encl. no. 44 264 83-48-2 Edn. 2/2-7-48) p. 3 of.

from the C.G.E. R.E. no. 479 B-48-2/ 26.6.48 pp 5-6 of.

The remarks of the C.G.E. sent at pp. 5-6 of. the case may be circulated to H.M. (Edn) with reference to his minutes on pp. 1-2 above.

Separate action has been taken on the question raised in para 2 of H.M.'s minute above.

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Please See para 2 of the
C. eg. E's letter ~~add~~ on p 13 of in the
linked file below. The further
report promised therein may
be awaited till 18-1-1949.

10/12/48. ~~13.12.48~~ ~~15/12/48~~
(Mund as Memo. 44264/93/48 dated 8/12/48)
C.No. 9570/49 From the C. eg. E. Re. No. 474-B/48-8/2/49

The interim report of the C. eg. E
on the suggestions of the Exam. Sub. Committee
of the Bd of Secondary Education, on
the question of expediting the publication
of S.S.L.C. results on p 15-17 of may be
perused. The C. eg. E's further report
as promised at 'S' on p 17 of may
be awaited till 20/4/49
(Please see A, B, C & S
on pages 15-16 of.)
The file may be circulated
to H.M. (E.H.) for perusal the
19.3.49. C. eg. E's report on pages 15-17 of.

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The papers may now be
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Early publication of results
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C. eg. E. (with 10/12/48 letter
dated 8-2-49)

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.
Abstract.

S.S.L.C. Examinations - Arrangements - Proposals - Orders
passed.

Education and Public Health Department.
C.O.Ms. No. 555 Edn.

Dated 28th February 1949.

From the Commissioner for Government Examinations, No. Rc
340-B-4, dated 20-10-1948 and 8-12-1948.

Order:

The proposals contained in paragraph 10 of the Commissioner's
letter cited above are approved. Necessary instructions have been
issued to the Inspector-General of Police as regards police
bandobust for examination centres in Memo No. 8451-J-49-1 Home
dated 9th February 1949.

2. In modification of the orders in paragraph 1 (3) of C.O. No.
1715 Edn dated 7th July 1948, the Government direct that the
centres for the holding of the S.S.L.C. examination be fixed in
accordance with the following principles:

The examination should be held in the district and taluk
headquarters and in all boys' high schools presenting not less than
75 pupils for the examination; boys' schools presenting a smaller
number of candidates will be clubbed together and the examination
for these candidates will be held at a central school having
facilities of accommodation and furniture. Girls' schools presenting
not less than 30 candidates will be separate centres; and two or
more girls' high schools in a locality will be clubbed together,
the examination for these candidates being held at the school having
ample accommodation and furniture. In the case of mixed high
schools having a considerable number of girl candidates, separate
seating arrangements should be made for girls, and if possible, a
lady Assistant Superintendent should be appointed for supervision.

3. It is observed from the Commissioner's letter of the 20th
October 1948 that the answer papers of the centres will, in future,
be sent direct to the office of the Commissioner and, from there,
distributed to the Assistant Examiners for valuation. The
Commissioner is requested to ensure that the despatch of the answer
papers to his office is made immediately the examination is over
and that there is no delay in his office in the distribution of the
papers to the Assistant Examiners. Suitable precautions should
be taken to keep the destination of the answer papers a secret.

4. The Commissioner's proposals for the increase in the rates
of remuneration for Assistant Superintendents are under consideration.

(By Order of His Excellency the Governor)

M.V. Subramanian
Secretary to Government.
To the Commissioner for Government Examinations
To the Director of Public Instruction.

(True copy)
Forwarded/By Order/ (N. Srinivasa)
Superintendent.

