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G.O. Ms. No. 1316 Edm

Dated 24.4.1950

2.11.50

Abstract.

Govt. Press. Sri. R. Ponnambalam
Late Compositor, Remistatement after
examination by a Medical Board - ordered

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From
R. Ponnambalam,
Lately Compositor Government Press
High Court.

16.11
14.11.1949

No. 2, Ghulam Abbas Ali Khan
3rd Street, Cathedral P.O.
Thousand Lights, Madras.

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The ~~Secretary~~
Educational Minister

Fort St. George
Government, Madras.



Respected Sir,

I beg to bring to your kind notice I was a compositor in the High Court Department from 1936 to 1948 and that I was declared by the Surgeon II District Service terminated with effect from the forenoon of dated 26-11-1948 as unfit. Beg to inform the Govt. Press Superintendent, for service owing to alleged defective vision when I was sent for medical examination for my purposes of confirmation in service. But I have to state that I do not suffer from defective vision at all and that I had been along doing my work satisfactorily and efficiently I don't understand how I was declared unfit for confirmation on that ground. In support of my contention I herewith enclosed a certificate to the Superintendent with in original from the reputed of thalamic optician in the City Doctor to V. Srinivasan, Broadway, and highly qualified also forward a fit certificate dated 11-4-1949 from the J.M. C. Nathan (Senior Surgeon General of Thalamic) Egmore Hospital have testified to my fitness for my service from the point of view of vision to the effect that I am free from any eye defect and that I am fit for doing my duties as compositor handling smallest body types. I need not say that on account of my unemployment and on the rather unfair discharge from the service I have put in nearly 14 years of service in the Govt. Press. I am put to starvation and a cruel hardship. I appeal to your good sense that justice be meted out to me in this respect and to favour with a charitable me a graduate or pensionable to my poor condition of starvation and poverty for which act of kindness and many good wishes for a long life and prosperity.

Mr. J. L. S. Srinivasan
 Mr. J. L. S. Srinivasan
 Mr. J. L. S. Srinivasan



Home Dept

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Yours faithfully
R. Ponnambalam, P.O. Madras
Lately Compositor High Court
Government Press, High Court
Madras

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Finance (Pen)

Please see the reference overleaf.

29 NOV 1949 As individual cases are to be disposed of in the administrative dept. concerned in consultation with Finance, if necessary, this may be transferred to Home, U.O. for necessary action.

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This may be transferred to F & P # who are concerned with composers in the Jour. Press

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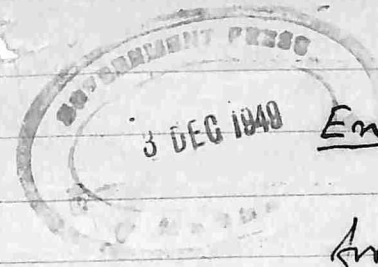
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Referred to the Supdt. Gov. Press

for remarks.

The Superintendent
Gov. Press.

V. Rammann
Asst. Secretary to Gov.
E & P. H. Dept.

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REMAINDER No. 2.

From

R. Ponnambalam
Lately Compositor
Govt. Press High Court Dept.
No. 2, Ghulam Abbas Ali Khan
3rd, Street Cathedral Post
Thousand Lights, Madras.



Honourable Minister
Educational Department
Fort St. George
Madras



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done for him. He is a Harijan.
Can we ask a warrant to examine him
to examine him

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Respected Sir,

I beg to inform to your kind notice I was a compositor in the High Court Department from 1936 to 1948 and that I was declared by Surgeon IV District Royapettah, Service terminated with effect from the forenoon of dated 26-11-1948 as unfit. Beg to inform the Govt. Press Superintendent for service to alleged defective vision when I was sent for medical examination for my purposes of confirmation in service. But I have to have to state that I do not suffer from defective vision at all and that I had been along doing my work satisfactorily and efficiently I do not understand how I was declared unfit for my confirmation on the ground. In support of my contention I herewith enclosed a certificate to the Superintendent with in original from the reputed Ophthalmic physician in the city doctor, E.V. Srinivasan Broadway and highly qualified for a fit certificate, dated 1-11-48 from the J. M. C. Nathan Senior Surgeon Government Ophthalmic Dispensary Hospital have testified to my fitness for my service the point of view of vision to the effect that I am free from any eye defect and that I fit for doing my duties as compositor handling smaller body type. I need not add that on account of my unemployment and on the rather unfair discharge from the service I have put starvation and acute hardship. I appeal to your good to favour with a charitable to me that justice is meted out to me in this respectable me a pension or gratuity to my poor condition of starvation and pitiable to my families.

For which act of kindness and many great thankfulness for a long life and prosperity

Yours faithfully

Chief Clerk

No. 429, R. Ponnambalam

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Lately Compositor High Court

Dept

Government Press

Madras.

17-1-1950



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Extensive handwritten text in Tamil, mostly illegible due to fading and bleed-through from the reverse side.

Snb: Pension- Gratuity- Application from
Sri. R. Ponnambalam, Late compositor, Govt Press Madras.
Ref: Govt. Endt No. 93169 C2/49-1 Edm 1.12.49.

Sent in original
(pension petition)

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Memo. No. 93169 C2/49-2 Edm 25-1.50.

The S.G.P. is requested to expedite his remarks to the Govt. Endt. cited. He is also requested to forward the original records connected with the termination of service of the petitioner.

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The S.G.P. Govt. Press Madras.
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NOTE: Please see H.M (E+L)'s minutes on p1 of
On receipt of the ~~replied~~ reply from the S.G.P. and the
connected records, further action on H.M's minute may
be taken.

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OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT, GOVERNMENT PRESS, MADRAS.

No. SBC-1-1277/49-50.

Dated 11th February '50

From
Janab R. Siddique,
Superintendent,
Government Press, Madras.



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

Sir,

Ref: Endt.No. 93169-C2/49-1 Edn., dated 1-12-1949 and
25-1-1950.
Sub: Forwarding the petition of Sri R. Pennambalam,
Temporary Compositor of this Office discharged for
want of the minimum standard vision.

Sri R. Pennambalam was a temporary Compositor of this
Office from 6-2-1936 to 25-11-1948.

On 1-6-1948 when a chance for confirmation came to him
he was sent to the Surgeon, Fourth District Royapettah, Madras,
for medical examination under F.R.10 (and S.R.10(2)), being
the competent authority to certify the fitness of an employee
for entertainment in service. The Medical Officer i.e., the
Surgeon, Fourth District has declared him unfit to hold the
post of a Compositor in his F.C.427/1-48-49, dated 17-11-48 due
to the want of Standard of vision prescribed in G.O.No. 2456
(91-S) dated 10th August 1942 viz., (the minimum standard of
vision required for the post of a Compositor is standard II
but the Compositor's standard of vision did not come even to
the standard of III) and also due to high blood pressure and
under weight. Hence on the strength of the above medical
certificate his services were terminated with effect from
26-11-48.

Again the Compositor in the year 1949 on the production
of a Certificate from the Honorary Surgeon, Ophthalmic Hospital
was sent once again to the Surgeon, IV District for reexamination
and the Surgeon again stated in F.C.427-1/48-49, dated 28-4-49
that he found no reason to revise the original certificate since
his vision did not come even to Standard III. Accordingly he was
informed that his request cannot be complied with.

He submitted a petition on 25th May 1949 requesting me to
send him to the Medical Board for which a reply was sent that
there was no necessity to send him to the Medical Board since the
competent authority to certify the fitness for an employee for
entertainment in service is the District Surgeon. Under the
above circumstances nothing can be done regarding his re-entertain-
ment in the Press. The original records called for in the above
endorsement relating to the matter is herewith enclosed for
perusal and return.

Since the employee has served for a period of 12 years
in temporary service he is entitled for invalid gratuity as
per G.O.No. 332, Finance (Pension), dated 12-5-47 according to
which I recommend that he may be given 6 months pay amounting
to Rs 240/- (Rupees two-hundred and forty only).

Enc: - File Contg PA/626
Finance Dept &

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Cro. 2436 (915) & 10.8.42 has
been called for from M.R.O. This may lie
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REQUISITION FOR RECORDS.

Madras Government Secretariat *EPH* Department *C2* Section Record Issue No. *13*

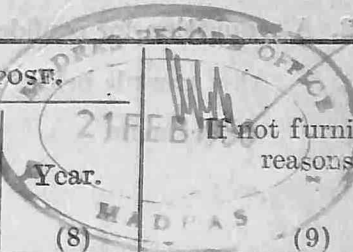
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To The Curator, Madras Record Office, Egmore. *Antony*

The Superintendent, Central Record Branch, Fort St. George.

The following records are required:—

Serial number.	Nature of record. (G.O., Ordinary or Routine, Memo-randum, En-closure, Draft, official, lodged papers, etc.)	Number.	Depart-ment.	Date.	Whether Original (O), Sp. copy (S.C.) or Sp. copy with Notes (S.C.N.)	PURPOSE.		If not furnished reasons.
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Date

Signature
Designation *T. S. Malhan Rao*

ACKNOWLEDGMENT.

Received the abovementioned records except items

Signature

Designation

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14 Special Instructions for filing in the form of requisition.

1. Records relating to more than one department should not be asked for in the same form.
2. A requisition for confidential records must be signed by the Superintendent of the department to which the records belong; receipt of such records must be acknowledged by the Superintendent of that department.

For the A.C.

The depts. in which the so. was issued has not been stated in the requisition. This may be returned to the E+PH (C2) depts. and the department may be requested to state the department of the so. required by them, and return the original for further action.

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For Asst. Comdr.

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21.2.50

Telephonic Message

From

The Superintendent
E+PH (C2)

To

The Comdr.

M.R.O. Egmore

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Please send urgently a copy of G.O. 2436 (915) Public Dept. of 10.8.42 (issued in Public Dept.) for comment No. 11989 C2/50.

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Sub: Sri. R. Ponnambalam. Late compositor
Govt. Press. ~~Physician~~ medical examination.
Ref: From Sri. P. Ponnambalam petition of 14th 49
From the S.G.P. No. SBC-1-1277/49-50
of 11.2.50.

Memo. No. 93169 E/49-4 Edm 16.3.1950.

The Surgeon General is requested to
~~place before the~~ ~~convene a~~ Medical Board ~~for examination~~ ^{to give} of Sri. P.
Ponnambalam, late compositor Govt. Press, residing at.
No. 2, Gulam Abbasali Khan 3rd street, Cathedral P.O.
Thousand lights, Madras, for certifying his fitness for
entertainment as compositor in the Govt Press, and to
forward the proceedings of the Board to Govt.

The medical certificates from the Surgeon ^{IV}
District Govt. Rajapettah hospital, Madras, and Dr. M.A.

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Nathan, Hony. Medical Officer, Ophthalmic Hospital,
Madras, are forwarded to the Surgeon General
for the ~~perusal~~ perusal of the Medical Board. Experience
and return.

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To ~~the Surgeon General~~ ^{the Surgeon General}
(~~with original~~)
copy to the S.C.P.
(Three medical
certificates in
original)
p.w. up below

R.No.26820-M.

Office of the Surgeon-General
with the Government of Madras,
Madras 6, dated 4th April, 1950.

From

Dr. J.C. David, M.B.B.S., Ph.D., (Edin.),
Surgeon-General with the Government of Madras.

To

The Secretary to Government,
Education Department, Madras.

Sir,

Sub:- Sri R. Pennambalam - Late compositor, Government
Press - Medical examination.

Ref:- Govt. Memo. No. 93169-E/49-4, Edn., dated 16-3-50.

I forward herewith the proceedings of the Medical
Board which examined Sri R. Pennambalam on the 1st April,
1950. A copy of the report of the Superintendent, Govt.
Ophthalmic Hospital, Madras, on the eye-sight of the
candidate is also enclosed. The enclosures to the Govt. Memo.
are returned herewith.

Yours faithfully,

for Surgeon-General with the
Government of Madras.



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Office of the Surgeon-General
with the Government of Madras
Madras 6, Madras 4th April, 1950.

S. No. 8820-M.

From
Dr. J. C. Davis, M.B.B.S., Ph.D., (M.D.),
Surgeon-General with the Government of Madras.
To
The Secretary to Government,
Education Department, Madras.

Sir,
Subj: - Sri R. Ponnambalam - Late compositor, Government Press - Medical examination.
Ref: - Govt. Memo. No. 23109-E/49-4, B.M., dated 19-4-50.

I forward herewith the proceedings of the Medical Board which examined Sri R. Ponnambalam on the 1st April, 1950. A copy of the report of the Superintendent, Govt. Ophthalmic Hospital, Madras, on the eye-sight of the candidate is also enclosed.

Yours faithfully,

For Surgeon-General with the Government of Madras.

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CERTIFICATE OF PHYSICAL FITNESS BY THE CIVIL MEDICAL BOARD
held at the *Govt. General Hospital, Madras* on *18th April 1950.*

We do hereby certify that we have examined *Sri R. Ponnambalam* a candidate for employment in the *Govt. Press* department, and cannot discover that he has any disease, communicable or otherwise, constitutional affection or bodily infirmity, except *underweight and B.P. 150-100 mm Hg.* and the report of the Superintendent of *Ophthalmic Hospital*

We do not consider this a disqualification for employment in the office of *Superintendent Govt. Press.*

His age is according to his own statement *48* years, and by appearance about *48* years. He has marks of *Smallpox* *AB* Vaccination

Personal marks for identification*

- 1) A mole over front of right arm below its middle
- 2) A mole over the left scapular region

Station *Madras*
Dated *1-4-50.*

PRESIDENT *P. V. Narayanaiah*
MEMBERS
R. R. Srinivasan
R. S. S. Srinivasan

*This should be filled in with great care after examination

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Report of the Superintendent, Govt. Ophthalmic Hospital,
Madras, on the eye-sight of Sri R. Pennambalam, late compositor,
Government Press.

Sri R. Pennambalam.

Distant vision: R.E. 6/18 c + 1 sph = +0.5 cyl $\nearrow_{165^\circ} 6/6$.

L.E. 6/18 c + 1 sph = +0.5 cyl $\swarrow_{150^\circ} 6/6$.

Near vision: R.E. c +3 sph = +0.5 cyl $\nearrow_{165^\circ} 0.5$ sn.

L.E. +3 sph = +0.5 cyl $\swarrow_{150^\circ} 0.5$ sn.

Colour vision Normal.

Field Normal.

Eyes and adnexa: Normal except for very early posterior
cortical lenticular opacity in each eye
and bright retinal arteries and marked
compression of veins at arteriovenous
crossings in left eye.

Sri R. Pennambalam is fit so far as eye sight is concerned.
The very early lenticular opacity need not be considered as a
bar to fitness for further service.

Fitness otherwise in regard to arterio sclerosis may be
decided with reference to Blood Pressure, Urine Wassermann, etc.
There is no ocular evidence of malignant hypertension.

True copy.

for Surgeon-General with
the Government of Madras.

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Report of the Government of Madras, on the eye-sight of Sri R. Ponnambalam, late compositor, Government Press.

Sri R. Ponnambalam.

Distance vision: R. 1.5/18.0 + 1 sph = 0.3 cyl M. 0.3
L. 1.5/18.0 + 1 sph = 0.3 cyl M. 0.3
Near vision: R. 6.0 + 3 sph = 0.3 cyl M. 0.3
L. 6.0 + 3 sph = 0.3 cyl M. 0.3

Color vision: Normal.
Field: Normal.

Notes and remarks: None of the above for very early deterioration of vision in each eye and slight normal errors and slight normal errors and slight normal errors in left eye.

Sri R. Ponnambalam is fit to be considered as a compositor in the Government Press. The very early deterioration of vision in each eye and slight normal errors and slight normal errors and slight normal errors in left eye.

For further information with the Government of Madras.

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Sub: Govt. Press. Sri. R. Ponnambalam, ^{after ex- by a Medical Board -} late compositor, Govt. Press. Reinstatement - ordered.

Ref: From Sri. R. Ponnambalam, petition D. 14/4/50
From the S.G.P. No SBC-1-1277/49-50 of 11.2.50
" " S.G., RN 268204 of 4-4-50

Order JMs. No. 1316 Edn. 24-4-50

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Copies of the proceedings of the Medical Board which examined Sri. R. Ponnambalam, late compositor, Govt. Press, on the 1st April 1950 and the report of the Suptt. Govt. Ophthalmic Hospital, on the eye sight of the candidate are enclosed. The S.G.P. is requested to reinstate Sri. R. Ponnambalam, immediately in his original post of compositor in the Press.

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Copies of pp 21-23cf
& flag in original

The S.G.P. (with encl)
Sri. R. Ponnambalam.
No. 2, Gulam Abbas Ali
Khan St. 3rd Street
Cathedral P.O.
Thousand lights
(Para 2 only)
The Secy.

2 Sri. R. Ponnambalam, late compositor Govt. Press is directed to ^{refer to} contact the S.G.P. for orders on his petition referred to above.

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Sub: Petition - Sri. R. Ponnambalam,
late compositor, Govt. Press - Remittance

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Ref: From Sri. Ponnambalam, petition of 14.11.

Sri. R. Ponnambalam, was a temporary
compositor in the Govt. Press from 6.2.1936 to 25.11.48.
When a chance of confirmation came to him on 1.6.48,
he was sent to the Surgeon Fourth District, Royapettah
for medical examination. The medical officer declared
him unfit to hold the post since he did not possess the
standard vision prescribed in G.O. 2436(915) of 10.8.42 and
also due to high blood pressure and underweight. On the
strength of the above medical certificate his services were
terminated ^{with effect from} 26.11.48.

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2 In April 1949 he was again sent
to the Surgeon IV District Royapettah for reexamination.
He was again declared unfit as his vision did not
reach even Standard III whereas the standard prescribed
was Standard II. With reference to the minutes of H.M (Edn)
on p. 5 of it seems that no useful purpose would be served
by sending the petitioner to the Medical Board for examination
as he was twice declared unfit by the District Surgeon.
IV District Royapettah Madras. The petitioner may perhaps
be granted the invalid gratuity of Rs 240/- recommended
by the S.G.P.

3 Pub (Ser) and Finance may see before
circulation

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A above. There appears to be no harm in
asking the petitioner to appear before the Board.
The ^{medical} certificates may be sent to the S.G. for taking
necessary action. Health may see.

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Health.

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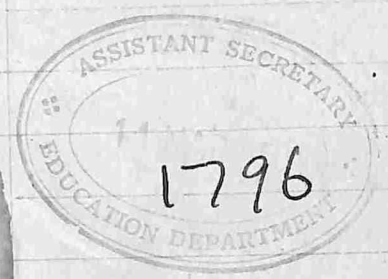
Please see the note of Edm. above.
There seems to be no objection in this dept.

the proposal of Edu. at M. on p. 1 ante.
The file may be returned to Edu. W.

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A draft memo. to the Surgeon General
is subd. for approval.

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(From the Surgeon General No. R. No. 26820 M 8/4.4.50) p.19 UF

Please see the S. G. letter
to the enclosure re the resignation of Sri
R. Ponnambalam, Late Comptroller Genl
Press. The Medical Board which
examined him, considers him fit to continue
in the Govt. Press. In the
circumstances, the objection of the S. G.
to continue him in the service of the Press
on medical grounds seems to be over. Draft
below is for approval. Finance may
see before issue.

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Finance (C.R.)

The draft memo may be accepted

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Edm: S. G. (E)



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