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Educational (1897) Department.

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G.O., No. 273

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[Despatch Abstract.]

Requesting the D.P.S. to report at an early date on the suggestions of the Govt relative to the amalgamation of the Govt Oriental Manuscript Library with the Office of the Registrar of Books &c.

15/5/97

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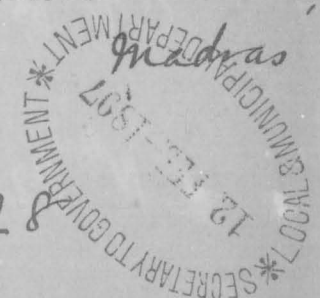
My friend

*The 'Atlas' in time
6 years ago
had 'in his business'
of some better d*

From

The Director of Public Instruction,
Madras

No. 1328



Order.

Dated 11th February 1897.

Received 12 Feb 97

Registered 12-2-97

Enclosures 2 books in separate packets

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SUBJECT.

Submitting certain
publications in the Oriental
manuscripts library called for
in G.O. No 477 Ed.^d dated 10th September
1896.

BACK PAPERS.

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	477	Educl	10-9-96

FURTHER PAPERS.

G.O.	No.	Department.	Date.

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF

PUBLIC INSTRUCTION,

Madras, 11th February 1897.

No. 1328

From

THE HONORABLE MR. D. DUNCAN, M.A., D.SC., L.L.D.,

DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION,

Madras.

To

THE HONORABLE THE CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT,

Local and Municipal Department, FORT ST. GEORGE.

SIR,

I have the honor to submit the publications called for in G.O. No 477 Educational dated 10th September last. They were received in this office only on the 26th ultimo.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

D. Duncan

Director of Public Instruction

Educational (1897) Department.

CURRENT No. 275.



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From The Dir of Pub. Instruction,



No. 2164

Order.

Dated 2nd March 1897

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SUBJECT.

Subj for favourable
consideration an applicant
for exemption of S.
Viswaswara Sastri, Clerk
Govt. Oriental Museum
from the operation of the
Examination Rules, request
Sanction by the former

BACK PAPERS.

G.O.	No.	Department.	Date.
	225	Edul	8-4-96
	543	Edul	27-7-96

FURTHER PAPERS.

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Educational DEPARTMENT.

For Oriental Mss. Library

CURRENT No. 275.

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF

PUBLIC INSTRUCTION,

Madras, 2 March 1897.

No. 2164

From

THE HONOURABLE MR. D. DUNCAN, M.A., D. Sc., LL.D.,

DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION,

Madras,

To

The Secretary to Government,

Local & Municipal Department.

SIR,

In submitting for favourable consideration the enclosed application on behalf of T. Visveswara Sastri, clerk, Government Oriental Manuscript Library, for exemption from the examination rules, I have the honour to state that the salary attached to this post, not having been sufficiently attractive to men who know both Sanskrit and a vernacular, was raised to Rs. 20 in G.O. No 225, Educational, dated 8th April 1896. As the duties of the library require special qualifications, which are not generally found in clerks fit only for the ordinary routine work of an office, and as it is difficult to secure the services of passed men with a good knowledge of both Sanskrit and one or two vernaculars, I strongly recommend that the designation of this last post be changed from "clerk" to "munshree" to avoid difficulties in filling it as necessity arises. It will be seen from G.O. No 543, Educational, dated 27th July 1894, the former ^{that} was also exempted.

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G.O.	No.	Department.	Date.
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	and	Public Service Notification	
	543	Encl	27-7-96

Dated

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The Secretary to Government
at N. B. Graham.

Signature _____
Designation _____

11.

Application for exemption from Examination Rules of unpassed candidate for employment in the office

Tiruvattiyur Viswaswara Sastri 35 years Unpassed.	1	Name, age and educational qualifications of the unpassed candidate for whose employment sanction is sought.
Clerk, Government Oriental Manuscripts Library, Permanent.	2	The post in which it is proposed to employ him and nature of the appointment, i.e., whether acting or sub. <i>pro tem.</i> or temporary.
Permanent	3	The period for which the appointment is expected to last.
Permanent From 25th November 1896	4	The period for which sanction is now sought (with dates of commencement and of termination).
First application	5	Is this a first application or one for a renewal of a previous sanction? In the latter case quote the previous order granting sanction and state for how long the candidate has been already exempted.
Nil	6	What steps have been taken to procure the services of a passed candidate and with what result.
The duties of the library require special qualifications, knowledge of sanskrit & vernaculars	7	Recommendation of the Head of the Department Office

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Educational DEPARTMENT.

C. No. 185 of 17

H. E. THE GOVERNOR.

THE HON'BLE MR. BLISS, C.I.E.

THE HON'BLE MR. GROSE, C.I.E.

SUBJECT.

Govt. Oriental Mss. Library publications.

FOR ORDERS.

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He is to advise the Mss
for publication. If they are
published it does not matter
by whom they are published

25/4/97

In G.O. no. 225 Ed D 5th April
96, the Govt. observed that the
employment of a Munshi on Rs 40
per mensem for the publications of
the different records deposited in
the Govt. Oriental Mss. Library was
sanctioned so long ago as 1875
and asked the D.P.O. to report
what progress had been made
in the publication of those records.
In August 1896, the D.P.O. sub-
mitted a letter from the Curator
of the library stating that an
index of local records was published
in 1898 and a Telugu manuscript
called Narapati vijayamu was
published in 1889. Thereupon
the D.P.O. was asked to forward
copies of the publication for inspection.
After repeated reminders, the D.P.O.

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has now submitted the books - one a small index of some 62 mss. in the library & the other is a poem published by the Madras Sanskrit and Vernacular Text Society in 1893 under the editorship of Dr Offert. The latter is thus a purely private publication & the Oriental Mss Library cannot claim any credit for it.

It will be seen from this that no local records have yet been published by the library, though a munshi was sanctioned expressly for the purpose so long ago as 1875.

Orders are solicited.

13/97 What has the munshi done for the Rs 40 a month drawn from 1875, I don't quite understand.

The munshi has done nothing except preparing the index published in 1878. There are three men in the library and they do very little work. Please see G.O. no. 400 Ed. 6th July '96 where the work of the establishment is declared to be unsatisfactory.

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Why not? It was compiled from mss in the Oriental Library & edited by its Curator.

JG
25.4.97

Flag 7.

Not to publish, but to ad apt for publication

JG
25.4.97

I doubt this. He has done little that is known of outside, but he seems to have done something inside.

Flag H.

JG
25/4/97

Spent on 25 working to
& it is reasonable to
waiter any of the money
we can get for him
JG 25.4.97

We are paying too much for the advantages we get. Apparently all the work that is done could be done by the Asst Librarian & the Vernacular Munshi could be dispensed with. Ask the D.P.S. about this, whether expense could not be saved by amalgamating this office with some other. Every penny we can get can be usefully

We must ask the D.P.S. about this first

JG
25/4/97

He is hardly a sincere. Though appointed specially with regard to publications, he has other work to do - e.g. the preparation of descriptive catalogues of mss collected & the revision of Dr Offert's descriptive catalogue

JG
25/4/97

He seems to have been here about 3 months last year

JG
25.4.97

Please see portions marked in pencil in paras 1 & 4 of the D.P.S. Pro-printed in the same G.O.

It is submitted that the displeasure of Govt at the non-publication of any local records may be expressed and that the D.P.S. may be asked to watch carefully the work of the library in future.

2/4
13/3/97

H.M.

The establishment better be abolished.

It is not right that the D.P.S. Mr. Lane permitted what appears to be a scandalous sinecure to go on so long, without bringing the matter to notice.

He exhibited similitude over the Inspector of Schools of the 7th Dist in permitting him to spend months & months in Bangalore of my despatches

a few schools.

He does not seem to understand his responsibility in such matters

Finl. Dept should see

[Signature]

15/8/97

Note in Financial Department.

The expenditure is booked under 22. D. Education - Miscellaneous - Purchase and collection of Oriental Manuscripts; for which Rs 1860 ~~is~~ has been provided in the estimates of 1894-98. The present establishment consists of

- 1. Munshi — Rs 40
- 1. Asst Librarian — 30
- 1. Clerk — — — 20
- 2. Peons (7) — — — 14
- 104

or Rs 1248 per annum. Of the remainder of the grant, Rs 600 a fixed annual allotment for contingencies which was utilised as follows 1895-96: —

1895-96

In transmitting manuscripts	Rs 384
In purchasing — do —	83
In binding — do —	17
Minor contingencies —	113
	<u>597</u>

For Registration of books, a sum of Rs 3,816 ^{has been} ~~is~~ provided in the estimates of 1894-98. The establishment of the Registrar of books consists of: —

	Rs
1. Registrar —	150
1. Librarian —	60
1. Asst Librarian —	15
1. Muehi —	9
1. Muehi —	8
1. Peon —	6
Total	<u>248</u>

per annum or Rs 2976 per annum.

There are no details available for the balance ^{so far as can be ascertained} of Rs 840 a year, nor is an annual report submitted to Government, showing the working of the office. The D.P.I. ^{might} should be asked to submit more detailed estimates as well as an annual report.

An abstract of the previous correspondence relating to the amalgamation of the offices of Registrar of books, special assistant to the D.P.I. are

and Secretary to the Text-
book Committee is put-
up, but the ~~proposals~~ have
~~not~~ ^{been} through. Submitted
that an amalgamation
of the offices of Registrar
of books and Curator
Oriental Mss ^{would} lead
to economy. At present
the Oriental Mss Library
is located in the Govt
Central Museum (old
Library rooms), while
the Registrar of books
has his office in the
old College buildings.

that were feasible,

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Re: amalgamation of offices of Secy. Text Book Committee
and Registrar of Books with that of Special Asst to the D.P.I.

Sanction was accorded ⁱⁿ G.O.
8/7 Ed to the constitution of a separate
book branch in the D.P.I.'s office and
an allowance of Rs 100 was granted
to the special assistant in charge
of the branch. ^{He} assigned to the ^{Special Asst}
his duties, included
a general control over the office of
the Registrar of Books and of the
Oriental Mss library. but his chief
work was to supervise the publication
of Govt. copyright works. In 1892
he was made ex officio Secretary to the
Text Book Committee. It had been ^{proposed}
proposed by Mr Grigg in '84 that the
Registrar of Books ^{should} also perform the duties of
Special Asst. ^{Nothing appears to have} been done on
this proposal ^{until} 1893, when Dr Duncan, a
recommended that it should be
carried out on the resignation of
the then Registrar of Books, Rao. Bahadur
Krishnama Charari. ^{little} A few months later
Later it was proposed by Govt to abolish
the appointment of special assistant if
there was reason to believe that his
work was very light. On the D.P.I.'s representation,
however, the appointment ^{was} continued but he was requested to ^{re-}report

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A G.O. 457 Ed d/22-6-94

C G.O. 671 d/11-9-94

Papers to be read in proceedings:—

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When signed

8th April 1896, No. 225
 10th Sept. 1896, No. 477
 of 1897, dated 11th Feb from the D.P.O.
 „ 1897, „ 2nd March „ the D.P.O.
 „ 189 „ „ „ „

AGAIN G.O., No. 189

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of 1897, dated 11th Feb from the D.P.O.„ 1897, „ 2nd March „ the D.P.O.

„ 189 „ „ „ „

ORDER. No. 273 of 12th May '97
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The Govt does not
 consider that ^{the cost of} ~~the cost of~~ ^{advantages} ~~charges~~ in connection with
~~derived from~~ the Oriental
 ms. Library are ⁱⁿ⁻ commensurate
~~charges derived from~~
 with the cost of maintaining
 the work ~~done~~ done by the staff.
 Apparently all the work ~~that~~
~~is done~~
 in the library could be done
 by the Asst. Librarian, and
 the services of the Munshi and
 the Clerk ~~could~~ be dispensed with.
 The Director will also ^{report} ~~report~~ ^{like} ~~like~~
~~it saving can also be effected~~
 by amalgamating the Libra-
 ry with the office of the Registrar
 of Books or some other office
 and the funds thus set free
 can be usefully spent upon
 education. The D.P.O. will be
 requested to consider and report
 on the ^{above suggestions} ~~subject~~ ^{at a ver-}
 (from order)

The demands on the departmental
 budget are constant & heavy,
 and any savings that can
 be effected can be usefully
 applied on education.

N.B.—

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on the desirability of appointing
 an officer on Rs 200-10-250 to per-
 form the triple duties of Registrar
 of Books, Special Asst. to the book
 branch and Secretary to the Text-book
 Committee and to procure the early
 retirement of Krishnama Chariar.

The D.P.O. urged a reconsideration ^{of this latter point} and
 Krishnama Chariar has been permitted
 to ~~remain in service~~ ^{retain the appl.} for some time

longer. He is now about 65 years of age.
 As to the ^{proposed amalgamation, the D.P.O.} ~~former point~~, he does not
 seem to have forwarded a report but
 in November last he recommended the
 abolition of the appointment of
 special assistant as the work done
 by the book branch had never been
 satisfactory and ~~also~~ as it had ceased
 to be a separate branch since July
 1895. Moreover it had been found that
 to fill satisfactorily the post of Sec.
 to the D.B. Com. it was necessary to
 have a person of social standing,
 high character and academic dis-
 tinction — qualities that could not be
 expected from the ~~ex officio~~ ^{ex officio} Secy ~~in a~~
 accepted the D.P.O.'s proposal and
^{scheme for the} ~~proposed~~ amalgamation
 of Sec. D.B. Com^{ee}, Reg of Books &
 not have fallen through.

Go No 894 Ed d/23-11-94

Go 893 Ed d/23-11-94

Go No 24 Ed d/15-1-97

suggested by the
 7th Sept.

Note. The est. of the O. Inf. Library
consists of:-

a munshi
an Asst Librarian
a clerk &
two peons.

It is presumed that H.M. means
that all the work in the Library
could be done by the Asst Librarian
and that the remaining establish-
ment (munshi & clerk) could be
abolished. The draft has been
prepared on the assumption. Peons
are required to attend the visitors
to the library.

Cuo 275 which has been lying
over pending orders on Cuo 185,
may also be read together, as if the
post of clerk be abolished there
will be no need for exempting
Visnivasara Sastri from the exam-
rules.

MA
29/4/97

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