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[Despatch Abstract.]

Sanctioning the admission of T. Inari
Susai Reddi to the ensuing Lower Secondary
Examination, & stating that pupils who
are attending a higher class or form than
is prescribed in the notification for
Primary & Lower Secondary Examinations
may be declared eligible for admission
to those examinations equally with
private Candidates.

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Educational (189) Department.

CURRENT No. 943



From J. Maria Susan Reddiar,
Student, VI Form,
St. Mary's College,
Madras

Order. No. 1735 dated 18th August 1897

Referred to the Commissioners
for Government Examinations
for early remarks.

J. B. Lees
Secretary to Govt.

Dated 16th }
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permission to appear
for the ensuing Lower
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Madras, 16th August 1897.
To
The Secretary to Government,
Educational Department.
Sir,
I am a student reading in the VI form of the St. Mary's College, Madras. Being desirous of qualifying for the public service and not being confident of my success at the ensuing Matriculation Examination, I applied to the Commissioner for Government Examinations on the 9th instant to permit me to appear at the forthcoming Lower Secondary Examination and have received a reply in the negative - vide Endorsement No 515/S.D. No reason has been assigned for the refusal nor can I discover any. I beg to state that my circumstances are such that I cannot hope to continue my studies beyond the current calendar year. It is therefore necessary that I must try to qualify for the public service during the present year. The Head Master of my College has no objection to my appearing for the Lower Secondary Examination and that being so, I do not see why the Commissioner should prohibit me from appearing for it. I hope the Government will not consider that my reading in the VI form is a sin

Educational (1897) Department.

CURRENT No. 978

25 AUG 1897

From

J. B. Bilderbeck, Esq., M.A.,
Ag. Commissioner for
Government Examinations,
Madras

Order

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Dated 25th August 1897.

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SUBJECT.

Stating that the application for admission to the Lower Secondary Examination of J. Mariasusai Reddiar was rejected he not being eligible to appear for it either as a pupil or as a private candidate.

so heinous enough as to debar my admittance to the Lower Secondary Examination. I may say while the Middle School Examination was in force students of the higher forms were allowed to appear as private candidates. I beg to request that a similar concession may be made to me and to all others who are so circumstanced as I am.

I beg to remain

Sir,

Your Most Obedient Servant,

J. Mariasusai Reddiar

Student, VI form St. Mary's College,

Door No. 73, Naineesappan Street,

Black Town, Madras

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OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER
FOR GOVERNMENT EXAMINATIONS,
Madras, 25th August 1897.

From J. B. Bilderbeck, Esq., M.A.,
THE HON'BLE MR. D. DUNCAN, M.A., D.Sc., LL.D.,
Ag. COMMISSIONER FOR GOVERNMENT EXAMINATIONS,
Madras,

To
THE SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT,
LOCAL AND MUNICIPAL DEPARTMENT,
Fort St. George.

SIR,

In returning a petition from
J. Mariasusai Reddiar, forwarded
to me for remarks under your endorse-
ment N^o 1735 dated 18th August 1897,
I have the honour to state that his
application for admission to the
Lower Secondary Examination was
rejected as, under Article 4(i) and (ii) of
the Notification regulating the exami-
nation, he is not eligible to appear for
it, either as a Pupil or as a Private
candidate. Not being a pupil of
the third form, he cannot be treated
as a Pupil candidate (Article 4(i)),
and still being 'a student reading
in the Sixth form of St. Mary's College',
he cannot be treated as a Private
candidate. Private candidates,
as

as defined in the Notification,
are persons who are certified
not to have been pupils of any
school, recognised or unrecog-
nised, from the beginning of
the official year in which the
Examination takes place.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

J. B. Riddarheul

Ag. Commissioner

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Educational Department.

Private candidates for the Lower
Secondary Examination.

C. Nos. 943 and 978.

FOR ORDERS.

According to art. 4(ii) of the
Lower Secondary Examination Notifica-
tion "private candidates" must be per-
sons who are certified not to have been
pupils of any schools from the begin-
ning of the official year in which the
examination takes place. This defini-
tion is the same as that given in art.
4(iii) of the Primary Examination Noti-
fication - vide G.O.No. 712, Educational,
dated 23rd August 1895, and excludes
persons like the petitioner (vide C.
No. 943) who are reading in higher
forms than the third and who may wish
to pass the Lower Secondary Examination.
The old Middle School Examination
notification did not exclude similar
persons - vide art. 1(iii) of the
notification in G.O.No. 583, Ed., dated
10th September 1886. The reasons for
debarring pupils reading in higher
classes or forms from appearing for
the Primary and Lower Secondary Exa-
minations are not apparent; they do not
appear to have been stated anywhere
and the Commissioner for Govt. Examina-
tions to whom C.No. 943 was referred
for remarks does not give them. It

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Review for circ. on the 16th at 4 PM.

cannot be said that the qualifications of pupils reading in higher classes or forms are below the requirements of the examinations. Submitted therefore that the definition of "private candidates" in the Primary and Lower Secondary Examinations Notifications may be amended so as to permit the admission of pupils reading in higher classes or forms.

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H.M.

No doubt the Lower Secondary Examinations is intended, so far as it concerns boys attending school, as a leaving certificate exam. for lower secondary education; but according to para. 2 of the Notif. it is only "primarily" so intended. It would be quite right & proper to refuse to waste time & admit pupil candidates who had not completed the curriculum. But it is not so easy to see why a pupil in a higher form, who is intended to have the qualifications

with whatever rights & privileges are attached to it, ^{of the present} from presenting himself & being examined.

A boy attending the higher forms is, in this respect, in a worse position than a private candidate who is not under instruction in a public school.

If the H.M. feels any doubt on the subject, perhaps we may ask the D.D. if there is any reason why such candidates should not be admitted.

The pete may be admitted to the exam. but before altering the rule ask the D.D. if he has any objection.

Jg.
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Papers to be read in proceedings:—

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Current No. 943 of 1897, dated 16th Aug. , from J. Maria Susai Reddi
" " 978 " 1897, " 25th Aug. " the C. G. C.
" " " 189 , " , "

ORDER.
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N^o 555-8, 6.10.97

The admission of J. Maria Susai Reddi to the ensuing Lower Secondary Examination is sanctioned and he will be so informed.

2. The Govt can understand why a pupil candidate who has not completed the prescribed curriculum should be refused admission to the examination but the principle is not clear and it is impossible to see why a pupil who obtains the same results as a pupil in a higher form, who wishes to obtain a pass in an examination, with whatever rights and privileges ^{it may carry} are attached to it, should be prevented from doing so. A pupil ~~after~~ reading in a higher form is in this respect ^{in a position} worse than a private candidate who

who is not ^{under instruction in} attending any school.
 The Govt, therefore, is of opinion
 that the definition of "private
 candidate" given in the various
 notifications should be altered
 but before passing passing final
 orders in the matter the D.P.I.
 will be requested to state whether
 he sees any objection to the alteration
 proposed.

(from orders)

[Signature]

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is inclined to think that
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 attending a higher class or
 far as then is prescribed in
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