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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
27th October 1875.*

Read the following papers:—

No. 404. From J. D. GRANT, Esq., Assistant Engineer, in charge of District Engineer's Office, Tinnevely, to Lieutenant-Colonel J. MULLINS, R.E., Officiating Chief Engineer, Public Works Department, dated Palamcottah, 31st May 1875, No. 36.

I HAVE the honor to forward an application from Sunkeralingum Pillay, Accountant

of the Tinnevely Range, praying for exemption from the rule which requires him to pass in the English branch of the General Test Examination before drawing more than Rupees 20 pay.

1 Application with its enclosures.

2. The application is supported by the Range and Sub-Division Officers who speak highly of the Accountant's qualifications, and as he has been some time under my orders, I can from personal experience recommend him as deserving of the exemption asked, which has in some cases been granted. Had it not been so granted, I should not have ventured to trouble you in the matter.

No. 67.

FORWARDED for the observations of the Controller of Public Works Accounts.

OOTACAMUND,
7th June 1875.

(Signed) JOHN MULLINS, Lieut.-Colonel, R.E.,
Officiating Chief Engineer, P.W.D.

No. 404-A. From Captain L. CONWAY-GORDON, R.E., Controller of Public Works Accounts, to Major-General G. W. WALKER, R.E., Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Fort St. George, 16th October 1875, No. 106 W.

IN returning the papers forwarded to me for observations with the Officiating Secretary to Government endorsement, No. 67, of the 7th June 1875, I have the honor to state that T. Sunkeralingum Pillay entered the service of Government as a maistry apprentice in October 1857, and continued to be employed in that capacity until the 22nd June 1859, when he resigned his appointment.

2. On the 11th August 1860, Sunkeralingum Pillay was appointed writer and goomastah in No. 4 Range Office, Tinnevely, on a salary of Rupees 15 per mensem, and he has been in continuous Government employ up to the present date.

3. The interval which elapsed between Sunkeralingum Pillay's resignation in 1859, and his subsequent appointment in August 1860, having exceeded one year, he forfeited his previous service in the department and became subject to the examination rules.

Vide Section 45 of the Civil Pension Code.

4. In 1864 Sunkeralingum passed the prescribed Uncovenanted Service Test, but the circumstance of the examination having been passed in the Vernacular branch was overlooked by this office when admitting the salary (Rupees 30) claimed on his behalf on promotion from 1st August 1869 to the post of Deputy Accountant in Madura District, and no objection was in consequence subsequently raised to his drawing the

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full salary of the appointments in which he acted continuously from that time to the 30th June 1871, on the latter of which dates he reverted to his substantive appointment of Assistant Accountant on Rupees 20 a month in the Tinnevely District.

5. Under the rules* Sunkeralingum is not eligible to promotion without the special sanction of Government until he has passed the Uncovenanted Service Test in the English Branch.

No. 405. ORDER THEREON, 27th October 1875, No. 3,018.

ESTABLISHMENT, No. 18-C.

UNDER the circumstances narrated in the above correspondence, His Excellency the Governor in Council is pleased specially to exempt T. Sunkeralingum Pillay from passing the General Test Examination in English.

(True Extract.)

Major-General, R.E.,
Secretary to Government.

To the Controller of Public Works Accounts.
" District Engineer, Tinnevely.

Respected Sir.

I respectfully beg to state that I was serving the Public Works Department for about 17 years. My Service Register Book -

2. When I was as Dy. Accountant on a salary of Rupees 30. in the Madurai Range Office the Superintending Engineer Colonel Roberts reduced me to Rs 20. simply because that I have not passed the prescribed General Test Examination in English.

3. As I have passed the General Test in Tamil in 1864 before the receipt of the above order from Superintending Engrs. I was under the impression that I am eligible my appointment under Rupees 50. As to my qualifications, and experience

I beg to submit herewith copies of
testimonials which I obtained from
several officers under whom I
served. I have also made myself
practically qualified for any post
in the English Department as
doing my duties only in English
since my first entertainment.

the rule that all who desire to be employed in the English Dept should pass the examination in English is not strictly observed in many other Departments, and even when observed the Head of Dept. try to obtain special permission from higher authorities if they think their servants are qualified by their experience, accordingly I forwarded my application for my exemption to J. C. Grant, Esquire Secy. Genl while I was serving under Mr. Gutzmann and it was forwarded to Mr. L. W. Remondet Esquire.

to the Suptg. Engin. Coll. Roberts who
thro. my misfortune put it aside &
the Copies of the Correspondence are
herewith forwarded for your honor's
Kind perusal.

5. I appeared for the G. I. English branch this time also; but failed. As I have hardly any time to prepare for my examination owing to pressure of my present business and as I have already been on the receipt of Rupees 30- for 2 years, I most humbly and earnestly beg your honor will be pleased to lay my case before Higher Authority with your honor's recommendation to treat my case as an exception case and thus protect me.

I humbly beg to remain
Y^r Sir.

Your honor's most ob^d St^t
 J^Y Hunt Karalimangur
 Dist^t Accts No 2 Pon
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22nd May/75

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From

S. D. Grant Esquire
Assistant Engineer
Trincomalee

To

The Executive Engineer
Southern Range
Trincomalee

Sir

I have the honor to forward a
petition from Sunkaralingam Pillay
accountant now working under me,
requesting to be exempted from the rules
requiring persons who desire more than
20 Rupees salary to pass the English Test.

He has it appears been 11 years in
this Department and had been reduced
in salary to Rupees 20. owing to his not having
passed this examination.

Copies of his testimonials are here-
with forwarded and I can fully endorse
what is said of him. He has proved a
most useful in his work as writer and as
he can in addition draw up an estimate well
and make a plan very fairly. I have been
much satisfied with him.

I would therefore beg you will be
pleased to submit his Application to the
Superintending Engineer and request his

No 137. Camp Palamcottah
25th May 1872

~~and the result of the case.~~
Sunkaralingum Pillay is not a very
young man and besides as you are aware
has enough to do to prevent him reading
up for an examination which a boy from
School would readily pass. He has besides
served for years in the English branch &
given satisfaction which would appear
to be a better proof of his capacity for
the post than a set examination.

I have &c
Signed, J. D. Bryant
Asst. Eng.
3rd June 1872

No 1432.
Being many passed
Candidates and unemployed,
the Government it is feared,
will not sanction the ex-
emption of Sunkaralingum
Pillay from passing the required
test; the undersigned is there-
fore loth to trouble the Govern-
ment on the subject.
2. Sunkaralingum Pillay
was ordered to present to his
permanent appointment of
No 20 in accordance with the
Controller's Memo No 569 dated
8th March 1871 Communicated
with Indorsement No 386
dated 9th May 1871.

Signed, R. A. Robert.
Lieut. Col. R. E.
Sup. Engineer
8th Division
headqu.
28th June 1872

(True Copies)
(Signed) J. W. Russell
Ex. Engineer
Trincomalee

No 1403
Forwarded to the officer in charge of Tanjore
District for his information.
Palamcottah
2nd July 1872
To Sunkaralingum Pillay
for perusal.
(True Copy)

Signed, J. D. Bryant
Asst. Eng.

From. The Ex. Engineer
Southern Range
Trincomalee
To The Superintending Eng.
8th Division.

I have the honor to forward
for your Consideration and
orders an Application from J.
Sunkaralingum Pillay Account
under Mr Bryant for exemption
from passing the Test Exami-
nation English Branch, together
with an original letter from
Mr Bryant supporting the
Accountant's Application.

As the man does his work
efficiently and possesses more
than the ordinary qualifications
of a writer. I think he is
deserving of promotion and
might fairly be exempted

I have &c
Signed, J. W. Russell
Ex. Engineer

Copies of testimonials

I have invariably found Mr. Karu-
lingum Pilly to be very active and attentive
to his business, and on several occasions dis-
charged the entire business of the Range office
to my satisfaction. He is desirous of promotion
and I recommend him to my Successor.

Palamcottah

27 May 1863

Signed: A. Mason
Asst. Supervisor

* Writer & jumastah attached to N. 4 Range

Mr. Karu-lingum Pilly served as
writer and jumastah in Range N. 4 since
August 1860. And the records of the office
show that as such he has given satisfaction
in the discharge of his duties. Since May
last he has done duty under me as writer &
jumastah & is acting satisfactorily and
economically. It is due to him to say that
the entire business of the Range office was
discharged by him very satisfactorily.
He has been recommended for promotion for
his activity and attention to business and
I trust he long the highly deserving servant
may meet with the success he so highly deserves.

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20 August 1863

Signed J. Barnett

Quorum in charge of
N. 4 Range

The Beamer S. Sankaralingam Pillay
has been doing duty in this Range for a short
time as surer of Salug Officers office
He is an active intelligent man, understands
plan drawing and Estimating making to some
extent and is a good accountant. He has
always conducted himself to the entire satis-
faction of his immediate superiors and I
consider him worthy of advancement in the
D.P.W.

Superior
9 March 1864 } (Signed) D. McCune Supervisor
in charge of 3 Ranges
Sincerely

The Beamer S. Sankaralingam Pillay
Accountant in D.P.W. has served under
me in the late 5th Range as such from 1863
to February 1869. During the time of his
service he showed to my satisfaction his
expertise, in Cyphering accounts and his
activity and ability in managing to do any
extra work given him.

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His qualifications are such that I may
recommend him without any hesitation that
may likely to be met with, shortly.

I like to see him in a graduated post
as he can punctually conduct any duty if
assigned to him. He will be very useful
to executive Branch if taken in that line.

14 February
1869 } (Signed) Moonappa Rao
5th Range office
(Sincerely)

The Beamer Sankaralingam Pillay has
been my 2nd Accountant from February
to August 1869. He is thoroughly acquainted
with the duties of his post & active and
zealous in their discharge. He leaves a
position for a 1st accountant in 3rd Range
Madras.

No 1 Range office Sincerely (Signed) Vyapoor Pillay
Letter 11th August 1869 } Supervisor in charge
of 1 Range Sincerely

This is to Certify that S. Sankaralingam Pillay
served under my orders in the office Establish-
ments attached to 1st Range as 2nd Accountant
during the last year. I found him to be a very
pain taking, hard working and intelligent man
and well to his work as accountant and
in every respect performed his duties entire-
ly to my satisfaction. He leaves the Range office
on promotion to Draftsman & Estimator
maker in the 3rd Range Sincerely Dis.

(Signed) G. R. Leggett
1st Asst. Eng.
in charge of
No 1 Range
Madras
Madras
No 1 Range office }
17 January 1871 }

No. 36. District Muzis Office, Trivello
Palamcottah, 31st May 1875.

From: J. D. Grant Esquire
Assistant Muzis in charge of
Dist Muzis Office, Trivello

To: Lieut: Colonel J. Mullins R. E.
Off: Chief Muzis O. P. W.

Enclosure. 1.
Application
with its en-
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Trivello

Enclosure in a letter
from the old Muzis
in ch: Dist Muzis Office
Trivello dated
31st May 1875 No 36
J. D. Grant Esquire
O. P. W.

Sunkeralingum
Pillay application
with its enclosures

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27 October 1875
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I have the honor to be
Sir
your most obedt servt

J. D. Grant
Asst Engineer
in ch: of Dist Engrs Office
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Form No. 21

No. 136 W

From

THE CONTROLLER,
PUBLIC WORKS ACCOUNTS,

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between Sankaralingam Pillay's resignation
in 1859 and his subsequent appointment

I have the honor to be
Sir
your most obedt servt

N. Grant

P. W. 1875 Dept.
No. 3662

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in ch: Dist. Regs Office

To: The Offr to chief Regs.
G.O. 27 October 1875 P. W.
Dated 21 May 1875
Received to Service.

Enclosure.
M. H. 25/75

Towards for favor-
able consideration an
application from Sun-
karalingam Pillay,
Accountant Immervelly
Range for description
from paying the Gt Dist
examination

Attestment -

Ch. 6/5 -
The Controller of Public Works Accounts

M. 104

Attestment 6.6.75

Gr. Wks. Form No 21

No. 106 W

From

THE CONTROLLER,
PUBLIC WORKS ACCOUNTS,

To

The Secretary to Government
Public Works Department
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4. In 1864 Sankaralingam passed the prescribed Uncouranted Service test, but the circumstance of the examination having been passed in the Vernacular branch was overlooked by this office when admitting the salary (Rs 30) claimed on his behalf on promotion from 1st August 1869 to the post of Deputy Accountant in Madras District and no objection was in consequence subsequently raised to his drawing the full salary of the appointment in which he acted continuously from that time to the 30th June 1871, on the latter of which dates he reverted to his substantive appointment of Assistant Accountant on Rs 20 a month in the Tenkasi District.

5. Under these rules Sankaralingam is not eligible to promotion ^{Vide Clause II of the notification of the Govt of Madras dated 26th April 1861 as page 587 of the Int St George's Gazette.}

without the special sanction of Government until he has passed the Uncouranted Service test in the English branch.

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your most obedient servant

Monro-Jordan

Controller of P.W. Accounts.

J.R.

Xth A.P.

21-10-75