

Nos. 241—51 G.

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA.
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.
GENERAL.

Fort William, February 14, 1883.

Appointments to the Engineer and Upper Subordinate Establishments.

Read again—

Home Department Circular No. $\frac{21}{746-753}$, dated 10th April 1879.

Public Works Department Resolution No. 1516—28 G, dated 11th November 1882, and Despatches from the Secretary of State quoted in the preamble, also Secretary of State's Despatch No. 52 P W, dated 28th September 1882, approving of the above Resolution before issue.

Read—

Letter from the Secretary to the Government of Madras, Public Works Department, No. 3351 W, dated 19th December 1882, asking for definite orders as to future appointments to the Engineer and Upper Subordinate Establishments.

RESOLUTION.—The Circular of the Home Department quoted in the preamble, in furtherance of the views of Her Majesty's Government enjoined the reservation of appointments in the uncovenanted service generally for natives, but made an exception in favor of certain Departments and amongst others, of the Public Works Department.

2. Prior, however, to the issue of this Circular, the Secretary of State had, in his Despatch, No. 41, dated 10th August 1876, followed by other Despatches quoted in the preamble of Resolution No. 1516—28 G, dated 11th November 1882, impressed upon the Government of India that, as the European portion of the Superior Public Works Establishment was now recruited from the Royal Indian Engineering College at Coopers Hill, the appointments from the Indian Engineering Colleges should be closely reserved for natives, and that, without the sanction of the Secretary of State, no Europeans other than Royal Engineer Officers should, in future, be appointed in India to the Engineer Establishment. At the same time his Lordship gave it to be understood that he did not intend these orders to affect the classes formed at the Thomason College for the education of Non-Commissioned Officers and Soldiers of the British Army, or of Europeans and Natives, for the Subordinate Establishment of the Department.

3. The purport of the above orders was, so far as appointments from the Thomason College are concerned, summed up in Resolution No. 1516—28 G, dated 11th November 1882, which directs that, commencing with the students entering the College in the year 1883, the number of appointments to the Engineer Establishment, guaranteed from time to time to that institution, shall be given in the first instance to persons of pure Asiatic origin who qualify under the usual conditions.

4. It is necessary however, in view of the orders by the Secretary of State already quoted, and of the uncertainty in regard to this matter which the letter from the Government of Madras shows to exist, to lay down the following rules for future guidance in making appointments to the Engineer and Upper Subordinate Establishments:—

1.—Without the sanction of the Secretary of State, no permanent appointment of Europeans, except of Royal Engineers, or as provided in Rule 2, shall be made to the Engineer Establishment.

2.—Subject to any guarantee that may have been already given, the appointments made to the Engineer Establishment from the Indian Engineering Colleges shall be reserved for persons of pure Asiatic origin who qualify according to the College Standard. If, however, a sufficient number of Natives do not pass the test, the appointments will be open to European or Eurasian competitors at the same examination.

3.—Appointments shall not be made under Rule 2 in excess of the numbers guaranteed from time to time. The numbers guaranteed for the years 1885 and 1886 are shown in the margin.

	1885.	1886.
Madras	1	1
Bombay	1	1
Bengal	1	1
Thomson College	3	4
	6	7

4.—Appointments in the Subordinate Establishment shall be open, under the same rules as heretofore, to Non-Commissioned Officers and Soldiers of the British Army, and to Europeans and persons of mixed descent as well as to Natives.

ORDER.—Ordered, that this Resolution be communicated to the Local Governments and Administrations marginally noted, and the Director General of Railways; also that it be published in the *Gazette of India* and all local official Gazettes.

The Governments of Madras, Bombay, Bengal, the North Western Provinces and Oudh, and the Punjab, in the Public Works Department.

The Chief Commissioners of the Central Provinces, British Burma, Assam and Coorg.

The Agents, Governor General for Central India and Rajputana.

G. H. D. WALKER,

Offg. Under Secy. to the Govt. of India.

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To

Nos. 241—51 G.

Dated February 14, 1882.

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Appointments to the Engineer and Upper Sub-
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No. 98, P. W. D. Press—14-2-83—212.

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28th November 1882

No. 39

To

L. J. Grant, Esq.

Executive Engineer Eastern Dist. Kistna

From,

C. Mohommad Khassim Sahib Bahadur

Honorary Assistant Engineer S. D. Kistna

Sir,

May I beg the favor of your considera-
tion of the following, and request that if it meet
with your approval you will be good enough
to submit it through the proper channel to the
Government.

12. You are aware that I joined the Depart-
ment under peculiar circumstances at a
time when there were no University Examina-
tions. I began my career of life in this District
coming up from Madras my native place. I
have been in the service of Government for
a period of 27 years. Of which 26 years and 4
months is permanent. During this long inter-
val there has been no cause on my part to
lead my superiors to think of my transfer to
another

I have the honor to be,
 Sir,
 Your most obedt servant,
Mohammad Khair
 Asst. Assistant Engineer K.

Object for promotion given
 to Mohammad Khair for the
 rank of Assistant Engineer
 2nd Grade - 1st Division -

Recd. 28th November 1882

Hon. C. Mohammad Khair

Asst. Assistant Engineer

2nd Grade - 1st Division

Recd. 28th November 1882

From C. Mohammad Khair

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No. 3955

EASTERN DIVISION OFFICE KISTNA.

1st December 1882.

From

THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER in charge
 Eastern Division Kistna.

To

THE Superintendent of Works,
 Kistna District.

Sir,

I have the honor to forward you
 a letter received from Mohammad Khair
 dated 28th November 1882 in which he represents his claim to the
 rank of Assistant Engineer and
 requests that his claim may be considered.

2 I do not know exactly the principles
 on which promotion from the different
 ranks are made but if as the Asst
 Engineer asserts promotion was refused
 to some men because they were not 'pure
 Asiatics' the Asst Engineer has no claim
 his own being undoubted.

3 On the other hand his career in the
 Department has been much more fortunate
 than that of many others & so far as I can
 find only military Subordinates have
 passed over him.

4 As he points himself he has spent
 all his service in this District and has
 not so far as I know been at any time

favorably reported on. It seems
so that he sent on his resignation
to the reorganization of the Department
tending to take up the post of Local
and Engineer which he had some
grounds for hoping to obtain but his
resignation was not accepted and for
this reason I think he has some claim
in the consideration of Government.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most Obedt. Servant
J. D. Hunt
Ex Eng. E. D. J.

A. 1657 H. S.

Superintending Engineer's Office,
2nd Circle, Manipalpet
4th December 1882.

From

The Superintending Engineer,
2nd Circle.

To

The Chief Engineer,
Public Works Department.
Madras.

Sir,

I have the honor to forward
the enclosed Correspondence, viz., a letter
from Mahammad Akhasim Sahib Honorary
Assistant Engineer, and a covering letter
from the Executive Engineer, Mistr Eastern Division.

2. I send the letter, not because I
consider the Honorary Assistant Engineer
has cause to complain of not being made
a substantive Assistant Engineer, but
because the request is one which can only
be replied to by you.

3. Mahammad Akhasim Sahib is a
man of undoubted ability, and his conduct
through a long service has, I believe, been
good, but I consider that all this

have received a sufficient acknowledgement
of the position which has been assigned
to him.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,

Your most Obedt Servant,

J. W. Randall
Superintending Engineer
2nd Circle.

From

The Suptg. Engineer,
2nd Circle

To

The Chief Engineer,
P. W. D.
Madras.

Dated 4th December 1882
Despatch 5th do
Recd 12th do

No 1657 K.S.

Mohamed Khasim
Sahel Bahadur - Hony.
Asst. Engineer - Forwards,
for orders, correspondence re-
garding the claims of - to the
substantive rank of Assistant
Engineer.

READ the following :-

Letter from the Suptg. Engineer Second
Circle No 1657 K. S. of 4th December 1882.

FOR ORDERS.

May stand over
pending reply to the
reference as has
just made to India
on the subject

10/12 H.V.

This is a case more
or less directly connected
with the question recently
submitted in regard to
the exclusive claims of
persons of pure Asiatic
parentage. Though
Mahomed Khasim Sahel
is no doubt a very de-
serving man, his claims
to substantive promotion
to the Engineer Esta-
blishment are not equal
to those of Messrs. Ottmann
and Ellis who are bar-
red by nationality under
the terms of the orders
which

No. 1626 of 28.6.82

Recd 20/12/82

which have been issued
by the Government of
India.

FOR ORDERS.

C. W. Lambey Col. R.E.
Secy. to Govt. W.P.D.

for Reply from India to
letter to 3251 W.P.D. 12-12-12

Recd 22/12/12
13/12 10/12 Recd 20/12/12
Memo 1/1/13

No 662W Public Works Department.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Under date the 1st Jan/13

Read the following

of
Name

The Suptg. Engineer
Second Circle

Ho No: 1657 H.S. of 4th
Decr/1912

Mohamed Hassim
Sahib will be informed
that the Government
~~are not prepared~~
to appoint him to
the substantive rank

of Assistant Engineer.
I think the words "at
present" had better be
omitted, as it may
encourage a hope which
may prove illusory.

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Att

23/12/12

To The Suptg. Engineer
Second Circle

Desptd 1/3/13

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662 Way 1-3-83

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