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Septennial Examⁿ of Ass^t

Surgeons

Com^d to the Surg^l Gen^l
letter from the for^r of
declining to extend the
concessions granted to Ass^t
Surgeons to appear for
their septennial examⁿ
within the half year
immediately preceding
the completion of their
septennial periods, so
as to permit those officers
to appear for examⁿ
on entering the seventh
year of service

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FROM

C. J. Lyall, Esq., C. S. I., C. I. E.,
Secretary to the Government of India.

TO

The Chief Secretary to the Government
of Madras.
Simla, the 25th June 1894.

Home Department.
Medical.

No. 1 Medical, dated the
21-2-22,
9th April 1894.

SIR,
I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your
letter No. 359, dated the 23rd May 1894, in which you state,
with reference to the orders contained in the Resolution of this
Department marginally cited, that the Surgeon-General with
the Government of Madras has expressed an opinion to the
effect that Assistant Surgeons should be permitted to appear
for examination on entering the seventh year of service, so
that, in the event of their failing to pass, they may have a second
chance of qualifying before completing that period.

2. In reply I am to say that the concession granted,
by the orders of April last, to Assistant Surgeons to appear
for their Septennial examinations within the half year
immediately preceding the completion of their Septennial
periods, was prescribed after a careful consideration of the
necessity that exists for the maintenance on the part of
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those officers of their professional knowledge throughout their service. This rule was intended to cover special cases of hardship only, and the Government of India regret that they are unable to extend it as proposed by the Surgeon-General with the Government of Madras.

I have the honour to be,

Sir

Your most obedient servant,


Secretary to the Government of India.
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Order
Comm^d to the Surgeon
General with reference to his
letter of 11-5-94, No. 0/64.

2. The special con-
cession referred to in
the Resolution of the
G. of I. can be granted
by the Govt. only.

Surgeon Genl. }
acct. sent. 6 } despatch 24/7/94

Subject

Septennial Examination of
Assistant Surgeons —

Stating that they are unable
to extend the rule regarding
according to the proposal made by
the Surgeon General, Madras, that
Asst Surgeons should be permitted to
appear for examination on entering
the seventh year of their service, so that
in the event of their failing to pass,
they may have a second chance of
qualifying before completing that period.

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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC DEPARTMENT.

Read—again the following paper:—

G.O., dated 29th May 1894, Mis. No. 371, Public.

Read—the following papers:—

Extract from the Proceedings of the Government of India in the Home Department (Medical), under date Simla, 9th April 1894, No. 1, Medical — 211-222.

Read—again—

Home Department Resolution, No. 2, Medical—27-38, dated 23rd January 1884.

Read—also—

Letter from the Surgeon-General with the Government of India, dated 5th March 1894, No. 71.

Resolution—

In the Resolution cited above, the rule subjecting Assistant Surgeons to professional examinations, on the completion of septennial periods of service, to test their fitness for advancement to the higher grades, was affirmed by the Governor-General in Council. A question has recently arisen whether an Assistant Surgeon can, under these orders, be permitted to appear at one of the half-yearly examinations before he has served seven years in the grade in which he is. His Excellency in Council is of opinion that the object of the rule, which is to ensure the maintenance of professional knowledge, would be defeated if the officers in question were permitted to go up for the examinations any considerable time before the completion of each septennial period; but, in order to prevent undue delay in promotion in individual cases, the Government of India are pleased to allow an Assistant Surgeon to appear at the examination held within the half-year immediately preceding the completion of his septennial period, if the Local Government, on the consideration of the facts of the case, is of opinion that this concession should be specially granted. The general rule will, however, be that the expiry of the seven years should be awaited.

Order—

Ordered, that a copy of this Resolution be forwarded to the Government of Madras, and to the Surgeon-General with the Government of India for information and guidance.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) C. J. LYALL,
Secy. to the Govt. of India.

To the Government of Madras.

From Surgeon-Major-General W. F. DEFABECK, M.D., Surgeon-General with the Government of Madras, to the Chief Secretary to Government, dated Ootacamund, 11th May 1894, No. O-64.

In returning the original copy of the Government of India Resolution referred to me for remarks with your endorsement, No. 797, dated the 23rd April 1894, I have the honour to state that I agree with the Government of India in their contention that the object of the rule requiring Assistant Surgeons to pass septennial examinations for promotion would be defeated if they were permitted to go up for the examination any considerable time before the completion of their septennial period, but at the same time I regret my inability to acquiesce in the proposal that, as a general rule, the expiry of 7 years should be awaited. This proposal if adopted will act prejudicially in their case and consequently be looked upon by them as a hardship, as it will deprive them of the chance of a second examination within septennial period. I would therefore respectfully suggest that they may be allowed to appear for examination when they have entered in their seventh year of service. This will enable them to re-appear for examination without losing pay should they fail to pass in the first instance without, however defeating the object referred to above.

2. I may, however, draw the attention of Government to the fact that in the Military Department medical subordinates are allowed to present themselves for examination after a service of 4 years in each grade, and for the sake of uniformity the same rule is now observed in respect of Civil medical subordinates.

3. I am of opinion that the rules governing the promotion examination of members of the Subordinate Medical Department, whether Civil or Military, should be uniform, and with this view I would suggest that the Government of India be addressed to revise the rules in this respect and make them applicable to all subordinated officers of the Medical Department.

Letter to the Secretary to the Government of India, Home Department, dated 23rd May 1894, Mis. No. 359.

Order—dated 29th May 1894, Mis. No. 371, Public.

The Government concurs in the suggestion made in paragraph 1 of the Surgeon-General's letter. The Government of India has been addressed accordingly. The proposal in paragraph 3 cannot be accepted.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) J. F. PRICE,
Chief Secretary.

To the Surgeon-General.

Read—also the following paper:—

From C. J. LYALL, Esq., C.S.I., C.I.E., Secretary to the Government of India, Home Department (Medical), to the Chief Secretary to the Government of Madras, dated Simla, the 25th June 1894, No. 378.

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter, No. 359, dated the 23rd May 1894, in which you state, with reference to the orders contained in the Resolution of this department marginally cited, that the Surgeon-General with the Government of Madras has expressed an opinion to the effect that Assistant

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ORDER—dated 6th July 1894, No. 491, Public.

Communicated to the Surgeon-General, with reference to his letter, dated 11th May 1894, No. O-64.

2. The special concession referred to in the Resolution of the Government of India can be granted by the Government only.

(True Extract.)

J. F. PRICE,
Chief Secretary.

To the Surgeon-General.

Govt. of {1894} Madras.

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**Septennial Examination of
Assistant Surgeons.**

Communicating to the Surgeon-General letter from the Government of India declining to extend the concession granted to Assistant Surgeons to appear for their septennial examinations within the half-year immediately preceding the completion of their septennial periods, so as to permit those officers to appear for examination on entering the seventh year of service.