

The examinations are much more difficult now and the Hon. Mr. Sturrock is of opinion that the number of appearances of each candidate will increase. He is not in favour of abolishing the rule making appearance compulsory after an Asst. has reached a certain stage of service and in his opinion the best arrangement would be to authorize the President to arrange with local officers for the supervision of paper work and to restrict compulsory attendance at Madras to the case of candidates who appear for subjects in which a portion of the examination has to be conducted viva voce. The marking of written answers is, the President points out, carried out by the Central Board.

5. It is submitted that the President's proposal may be approved.

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See no objection - But as Mr. Wilson has given much attention to the subject, his assent, his acquiescence & the proposal should be obtained before it is sanctioned

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Yes, I agree if Mr. Wilson sees no objection to the proposal

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The only objection is that for the proposed examination the papers must be printed some days in advance - but in an examination of this sort that is of no great importance - I think Mr. Sturrock's suggestion may be accepted

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G.O., No. 952, 18th November 1895.

NOVEMBER.

**Examination of Junior Civilians
by the Standard Examinations.**

Accepting the proposals of the President of the Board of Examiners to modify the rules relating to the — and directing the necessary alteration to be made in the rules contained in the Appendix to G.O., No. 43, Public, dated 19th January 1894.

Standard Exam

See ✓
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To.

The Hon'ble W. Gibson for
favor, & remarks.

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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC DEPARTMENT.

READ—again the following paper :—

G.O., No. 43, Public, dated 19th January 1894.

ABSTRACT.—Directing that the revised rules for the Standard and Vernacular examinations of Junior Civilians be published and substituted for those in the Civil Service Manual.

READ—also the following paper :—

From J. STURROCK, Esq., President, Board of Examiners, Madras, to the Chief Secretary to Government, dated Madras, 12th October 1895, No. 704.

I have the honour to draw the attention of Government to the hardship imposed on unpassed Assistants by the provision in Article 1226 of the Civil Service Regulations that travelling allowance shall not be drawn on more than two occasions for attendance at an obligatory departmental examination. The standard examinations are both searching and extensive, and as under Rule 24 of G.O., No. 43, Public, dated 19th January 1894, attendance every half-year is compulsory for the Lower Standard in the case of every Assistant who has been more than six months at his station and for the Higher Standard when an Assistant has been over two years at his station, it is almost certain that a considerable proportion of the candidates will have to pay their own travelling expenses on one or more of the occasions on which they appear. This is no trifling outlay when a candidate comes from Ganjám for instance.

2. Out of thirty-one Assistants who joined the service between 1888 and 1892, seven appeared three times for the Lower Standard, two appeared four times and one five times before passing. In the case of the Higher Standard, seven appeared thrice, two four times and one five times; while three have still to pass, one of them having already appeared three times.

3. As the severity of the examination has increased since the issue of G.O., No. 43, Public, dated 19th January 1894, it is probable that the number of appearances will be still greater in future.

4. It cannot be said that the charge is merely a fair penalty for dilatoriness in passing, as an Assistant is allowed three years in which to pass the First Standard, which means compulsory attendance at four or five examinations if full advantage is taken of the period allowed.

5. As Article 1226 is general for all examinations throughout India, I do not suggest that the Government of India be moved to make any alteration, but I think some relief may be afforded by a modification of the rules issued in G.O., No. 43, Public, dated 19th January 1894.

6. One method would be to do away with the rule making appearance compulsory, retaining merely the provision that the examinations must be passed within a prescribed period; but if this alone were done, it would seriously hamper a candidate in arranging to pass different divisions at different examinations, and, looking to the severity of the examinations and the number of subjects embraced by them, I cannot advise the restriction of any of the facilities now afforded to candidates in this respect. It has always been understood that the rule about compulsory appearance did not involve a candidate taking up every branch of the examination on every occasion.

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From

The Hon'ble Mr. Sturges

No.

Dated 21

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SUBJECT.

Requesting to pass early
orders on his letter of the
12th October

7. The best arrangement, in my opinion, would be to authorize the President of the Board of Examiners to arrange with local officers for the supervision of paper work locally, and to restrict compulsory attendance at Madras to candidates who appear for subjects in which a part of the examination has to be conducted *viva voce*, viz., Languages under both Standards and Revenue under the Lower Standard.

8. From paragraph 4 of G.O., No. 275, Public, dated 6th April 1893, and paragraph 12 of Mr. Gibson's letter recorded therewith, it will be seen that it was mainly on account of the *viva voce* examinations that it was decided to hold the examination at Madras, the marking of all written answers having always been carried out by the Central Board, and I think it will rarely happen that a Collector will be unable to arrange for the supervision of a written examination by a competent officer in the district, without interference with other important duties.

ORDER—No. 952, Public, dated 18th November 1895.

The proposals in paragraph 7 of the President's letter are approved.

2. The following alteration will be made in the rules contained in the Appendix to G.O., No. 43, Public, dated 19th January 1894 :—

Rule 17, Second clause.

For " Ordinarily Assistants will be required to attend the examinations which will be held at Madras."

Read " Attendance at Madras will be compulsory in the case of candidates who appear for subjects in which a portion of the examination is conducted *viva voce*."

(True Extract.)

Chief Secretary,

To the President, Board of Examiners.
,, Accountant-General.
,, Revenue Department.

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5-10-95.

Public DEPARTMENT.

Papers to be read in proceedings:—

Again G.O., dated 14th January 1894, No. 48.

Again G.O., dated 189 , No.

Current No. 3487 of 1896, dated 12th Oct, from The President, Board of Ex-

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ORDER. No 952 d 18 Nov 95

The proposals in para 7 of the President's letter are approved.

2. The following alteration will be made in the rules contained in the Appendix to G.O. No. 48 Public, 9th 19th January 1894:—

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| From order.

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PUBLIC DEPARTMENT.

From

THE PRESIDENT,

BOARD OF EXAMINERS,

Madras,

To

THE HONORABLE

THE CHIEF SECY. TO GOVERNMENT,

Fort St. George.

No. 704

Dated

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Subject.

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for modification of the
rules relating to the
examination of Junior
Civilians by the Standard
Examinations as regards
the place of examination

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Order

The proposal in para 7 of
President's letter is approved.
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the Appendix to G.O. No. 43 Pub.
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Rule 14 - ^{second} Clause - For "Ordinary
Assistants will be required to
attend the examinations which
will be held at Madras" read -
"The examination in subjects of
which a portion of the examination
is conducted viva voce will be
held at Madras ^{or} at any other place."

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No. 704

OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF EXAMINERS,

Madras,

12th October

1896

From

The PRESIDENT,

BOARD OF EXAMINERS,

MADRAS.

To

THE HON'BLE THE CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT,

FORT ST. GEORGE.

SIR,

I have the honour to draw the attention of Government to the hardship imposed on candidates by the provisions of Article 1226 of the Civil Service Regulations that travelling allowances shall not be drawn on more than two occasions for attendance at an obligatory departmental examination. The standard examinations are both ~~repetitive~~ and extensive, and as ~~under~~ Rule 24 of G.O. 1548, ~~dated~~ 1901, ~~stipulates~~ that attendance every ~~year~~ is compulsory for the Lower Standard and for the Assistant who has been more than six months at his station, and for the Higher Standard when an Assistant has been over ~~one~~ year at his station, it is almost certain that a considerable proportion of the candidates will have to pay their own travelling expenses on one or more of the occasions on which they appear. This is no trifling outlay when a

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and one five times, suppose passing.
In the case of the Higher Standard
seven appeared three, two four times
and one five times while three have
not appeared, one of them having already
appeared three times.

3. As the severity of the examina-
tion has increased since the issue of
G. O. No. 12, Public, dated 19 January
1894, it is probable that the number
of appearances will be greatly reduced
in future.

It cannot be said that the
charge is merely a fair penalty for
delinquency in passing, as an
assistant is allowed three years for
which he may appear at the Standard
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at four or five examinations if full
advantage is taken of the period allowed.
As a rule, 12 is general
for all examinations throughout
India. I do not suggest that the
Government should be moved to make
any alteration, but I think some
relief may be afforded by a mod-
ification of the rule issued in G. O.
No. 13, Public, dated 19 January 1894.

One method would be to
do away with the rule making appear-
ance compulsory, retaining merely
the provision that the examination
must be passed within a prescribed
period, but if these alone were done
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in arranging to pass different divisions
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not involve a candidate taking up
every branch of the examination on
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7. The best arrangement, in
my opinion, would be to authorize the
President of the Board of Examiners
to arrange with local officers for the
supervision of paper work locally,
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ance at Madras to candidates who
appear for subjects in which a part
of the examination has to be conducted
Viva Voce, viz. Languages under both
Standards, and Revenue under the
Lower Standard.

8. From para 4 of G. O. No. 275,
Public, dated 6th April 1893, and
para

C. No 3437

F O R O R D E R S

The discontinuance of the plan of holding the standard examinations in the mofussil at various stations was proposed by Mr. Gibson in para 12 of G.O. No. ²⁷⁵d./ 6th April 1893 on the grounds (1) that it was not possible to ensure uniformity in the allotment of marks by the several local committees (2) that there was reason to fear that local committees were as a rule inclined to be indulgent (3) that the Collector and the Judge who were ordinarily required to superintend the examinations were obliged to do so at the expense of other important duties and not infrequently at considerable public inconvenience (4) that in view of the raising of the standard of the vernacular examinations, it was desirable that uniformity in the test should be secured (5) that with a few exceptions (3 of which since disappeared) all districts were connected by rail with Madras.

2. In para 4 of G.O. d./ 6th April 1893, No. 275, the Govt. approved of the above suggestion and directed that the examination should except in the case of officers attached to the districts of Ganjam, Vizagapatam and S. Canara and until these

districts were connected by rail
with the Presy., ~~which~~ be conducted
at Madras by the Central Committee.

3. The rules in the appen-

dix ¹⁵ G.O. No.43 d./ 19th January

1894 provide - vide rule 17 - that

half-yearly examinations of Assts.

^{shall} should be held at such stations as

^{may} might be fixed by the President of

the Board of Examiners and that ordi-

narily Assts. ^{will} would be required to

attend the examination at Madras.

The President ^{in summing up the above} explained that he had

not thought it necessary to insert

in the rule the exception of certain

districts from its operation, ^{as}

regards the place of examination, for

in a very short time the only excepted

district would be S.Canara and mean-

while ~~the President~~ could arrange for

the local examination of any Assts.

who might be employed in non-railway

districts (vide para 2 of letter on

page 1 of G.O. No.43 d./ 19th Jany.

1894).

4. The President now

points out that this rule operates

somewhat hardly on Assts. Under Art.

1226 of the C.S.R., travelling allow-

ance cannot be drawn on more than

two occasions for attendance at an

obligatory departmental examination

Attendance at each half yearly exami-

nation is compulsory in the case of

every Asst. who has not passed the

Lower standard and has been more than

six months at his station or ^{who} has not

passed the lower standard and ^{has} not