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Public DEPARTMENT.
No. 1628, dated 7th December 1887.

To

The Secretary to the Government

of India,

Home DEPARTMENT.

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Sir,

With reference to your
letter no. 48 2291 d/ 10th
Oct 1887 I have been
directed to submit to the
Govt of India the names
of the following three gentle-
men whom the Madras
Govt consider eminently
fit for appointment as
Substituted Civilian. The
names are arranged in
order of merit N.A. 13L.

- (1) Mr. P. Rajagopala Chari,
D. 4. Colls 6th grade (sub
partem)
- (2) Mr. S. Srinivasa Raghavai.
B.A. 1st Assistant
- Jampar. Revenue Secretary
- (3) Mr. Vatturi Jagannatha
Rao Pantulu, D. 4. Colls
4th class D. 4. Colls in C
- This Govt. had at first
intended to select Mr. Vatturi

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6 Dec
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public
 by examn this year, as
 intimated in my letter
 d/4th Oct. 1887 no 1418. But
 on further consideration
 this course was not deemed
 necessary 3. Mr. Rajagopala
 Chari the first of the candi-
 dates above nominated was
 one of the three gentlemen
 who highly distinguished
 themselves in the examn
 for the Calcutta Service held
 in Bombay in 1884, & whose
 names were submitted
 to the Govt of India with my
 letter d/27th Jan. 1885 no 215
 His qualifications at that
 time will be found described
 in para 3 of the letter. In
 May 1886, in accordance
 with the promise held forth
 in para 6 of 27 Jan. 1885
 no 214, he was app. to the
 Local Service as an Ag
 D. Col. & he is now sub
 posted in the 6th class of
 that grade. He has been
 in charge of ^{Sub} Division
 in the Trich & Salem
 District & has ^{been most favourably}
~~been most favourably~~

and these is put on as a capable
 & promising officer. His selection will
 be the second of the nominees
 - who are tried & able
 under service & of good
 a history of their services
 is enclosed enclosed from

thus combines the advantages of
 choice by competition and on the
 ground of ascertained merit &
 fitness.

Inquired to pass the usual
 standard examinations.
 required for the
 Assistant Secretary

the enclosure to last year's
 letter)
 5 Should Mr. Rajagopala
 Chari be app. to he wd be
 required to serve for the
 usual period of probation;
 but under the terms of
 Home Dept. Res. no 55.1324.25
 d/24th Dec. 1875 this condition
 wd not be required in the case
 of the two other nominees

been
 25/11
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Mr. Rajagopala Chari
 has not appeared for
 the assistant secretary exam-
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To
The Secretary to the
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DEPARTMENT.

Announcement of
Statutory Civilian

the three best men of
candidates admissible
under draft rule no 4
refused to serve. But
this is practically equivalent
to open competition, to which
this Govt. have always
been strongly opposed (see
for instance passage inserted
on p. 3 of the letter to India
of 10 Mar 1885. No 570), &
which appears to be excluded
by the terms of India's present
letter ("to institute a
test of limited competition
among nominated candidates")

seen
19/10

I submit that it is open to Govt.
to institute open competition under
the last sentence of para 3 of the
letter. The word "limited" in the
passage quoted above merely refers
to the men being nominated & might
have been omitted without the sense
being affected.

Selection by Govt. either of candi-
dates to appear at the final ex-
amination, or of the person to be
appointed out of those who have
done best at examination with no
look. In neither case will it afford
any guarantee that the best man
or men will be taken. Govt. can
really know nothing about the can-
didates or their qualifications or
character, but will be forced to judge

Very Cordially
[Signature]
See Council
8.11.87

Submitted to G.R. the 1st
It is suggested that the matter
be discussed at the first
Council after G.R.'s return
to Madras.

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FOR ORDERS.

Method of selection
for Statutory Civil
Service this year.

Meeting of 9th Nov 1887

by their parentage, or appearance, or
recommendations of possibly interested
persons. This was what was done
on the last occasion with the result
that nobody believed in the genuine-
ness or fairness of the competition. The
result too has shown that the best
man was not taken. One of the three
first has been appointed a D. C. &
employed in work similar to that
assigned to Varada Rao, but has shown
himself beyond comparison a better officer.
I submit that Govt. should declare
that they will nominate those men
who get the highest marks, unless
there is a special reason which will
be declared against him.

There seems no need for a prelimi-
nary exam. The conditions of eligibility
will sufficiently restrict the numbers
of examinees.

H.C.

Public DEPARTMENT.

C No. 4076

From

The Govt of India

FOR ORDERS.

I do not quite know how far we are bound by the Rules of Aug. 85. If, as I gather, these were published in the Gazette or otherwise, we are at all events bound to go as far as those rules go in the direction of competition. But in the names must be selected by open competition & a selection made from them. This however seems the wrong way of attempting to combine competition with selection. Selection & come first & then to be open competition among those selected. On the whole I am inclined to say that the three names which stand first shall be submitted in order to India, though any serious objection to any candidate will at the same time be reported. I agree that India's letter does not at all prohibit or deprecate open competition. The preliminary exam. would seem to be as necessary as present. It will be time enough to dispute with it when we see how many candidates come forward. PPH

21 Oct

x also G.O. 7.11.84 No 2381

We are under no obligation to follow the draft rules submitted for India's approval (12 Aug 1885 No 1903 Public) No further orders have been passed by India

According to the principle laid down in para 2 of letter to India of 12 Aug 1885 No 1903 the selection this year should be made by means of examination. The scheme by which examination contemplated by the Govt of Sir M. E. Grant. Draft will be found detailed in the draft rules appended to that letter. It differs from the method actually adopted in 1884 only in the fact that in that year the prelim in an exam. was confined to men whose names had been already registered by Govt as candidates for the Stationary Service (G.O. 29 Sept. 1884 No 2122 put up with G.O. 14 Oct. 1884 No 2239), whereas under the draft rules it is proposed that this exam. should be open to all candidates fulfilling the conditions in respect

CW 1376

Public (1887) Department

From

The Government of India
Home Dept

No 48
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By 10 }
By 17 } October 1887

75.C.

CHIEF SECRETARY
7 OCT 87
GOVERNMENT OF INDIA

Asking for three names of Candidates for office ordinarily held by members of the Civil Service.

of education, health, & age prescribed by rule 4. These conditions will of course exclude a number of candidates whose applications have been registered. (a list showing all candidates registered up to date is put up).

The following points are submitted for consideration

- (1) If ^{only candidates} all persons possessing the qualifications required in no 4 of the draft rules are free to compete, is it necessary to have two examinations? The candidates must necessarily all be men possessing a certain degree of education, & this being so the preliminary examⁿ is not appear to be necessary.
- (2) The mode of selection adopted in 1884 was, I will be remembered, exceedingly unpopular, & unless the candidate preferentially recommended to India (is put first in the three nominations which this post has to submit) did happen to be the man who has obtained the greatest number ^{of the second examⁿ} marks, it is likely to be so again. In spite of all presentations the marks become

And of course the general question awaits the outcome of the Public Service Commission. We told India, it seems on 4th inst (no 1418) that it was an intention to follow the principle advocated in those draft rules if a nomination was to be made this year, but I suppose this does not bind us particularly.

I am not prejudiced in favour of any particular plan - if my Honble Colleague prefers open competition without a preliminary exam let us have a draft of a notification for publication.

Yours
22/10

H.E. ought I think to be consulted. Indeed it is a matter which we ought if possible to talk over. At present - if the matter is put before us - I am inclined to make a simple selection from tried men this year also & to postpone anything like competition till the P.S. Commission makes its report. If however some sort of competition is preferred, I am already stated, obtain the preliminary examⁿ until we see how many candidates come forward, qualified under Rule 4, & ultimately send up the three names with the highest marks. P.H.H. 23 Oct.

* ? I don't think there was the usual amount of gossip & misrepresentation - that was all you

* Known in 1884, & this there is at least a possibility of this result recurring. It is true that, as pointed out by the Govt of India in their letter recorded in S.O. 21 May 1885 (no 1177), the complaint on the last occasion may partly be due to its not having been clearly understood that the Govt did not in any way intend to make the final examⁿ a competitive one; but it is submitted that even if this were made clear in the present instance, the plan would be unpopular among the educated classes, & there would be a cry for competition.

(3) It would be better then to admit to the examination only such men as the Govt would be willing to accept as eligible civilians, & then to send up to India the names of the three men who did best, in order of merit? In this case also the preliminary examⁿ is not required.

- (4) Another alternative would be to select nominees (subject to order of merit) as suggested by examⁿ.

A. P. MACDONNELL, ESQ.,
Secretary to the Government of India.

The Chief Secretary to Government,
Madras.

Simla, the 10 October 1887.

I AM directed to intimate *for the information of*
His Excellency the Governor in Council that the number
of nominations of Natives of India to offices in the *Madras Presidency*
ordinarily held by members of the Covenanted Civil Service to be made in the
current year, under the rules published in Notification No. 1534 of the 22nd
August 1879, will probably be *one*. The Governor General
in Council will be glad to receive in due course the names of three selected
candidates for _____ the appointment arranged in order of merit,
if properly qualified persons to this number are forthcoming.

2. As regards the mode of selection to be adopted, the full discretionary powers accorded to Local Governments by Home Department Circular No. 33-1386-90, dated 5th September 1884, which related to the nominations of that year, may be exercised on the present occasion also. *The Govt. of Madras* may accordingly choose candidates in any manner that may appear to it desirable, special regard being paid (in the case of candidates whose merits and abilities have not been already proved by employment in the public service) to educational attainments and proficiency. It will be open to *the Govt. of Madras* to select suitable candidates from the Uncovenanted Service or learned professions, to institute a test of limited competition among nominated candidates, or to follow any other mode of selection that may be thought suitable.

3. In submitting the names of the persons selected, full information should be given as to their qualifications and as to the mode of selection adopted.

I have the honour to be,

SIR,

Your most obedient servant,

A. P. MacDonnell
Secretary to the Government of India.

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Salem
COLLECTOR'S OFFICE.

18-11-87

My dear Stokes,

Your note of the 15th;
I certainly think that
Rajagopalachari is fit
for the Statutory Civil
Service - He has made
a very good Dep^y Coll^r;
is very smart; strict
in supervising his subordinates,
accessible to the people

of all castes and
generally popular. He
is very energetic and
has done a great deal
of good in that most
troublesome hamkal
division.

Yours sincerely
S. M. Coattors