

Revenue (1897) Department.

MISCELLANEOUS SERIES.

G.O., No. 4472.

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[Despatch Abstract.]

Recording Board's Prop reporting on the
- results of the Examination held for the officers
of the Distillery School at Waltair & approving
the proposal to Commence another course
at Madras.

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The Hon: Sir Henry B. K. C. I. E.

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From

The Secretary to the
Commissioners of Salt,
Alkari & Separate Revenue,
Madras
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The Board's proposals in
para 3 of the above Proceedings
are approved. Which of the officers
selected should be selected for the sanction of Govt.
3. The list of officers selected for training in the
school at Waltair should be up to date (vide clause 1)
of G.O. No. 291732 May 1897.

Dated 4th August 1897.

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The list of officers should be up to date until revised reply.

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SUBJECT.

Board of Rev (Sep: Rev) with the enclosed
It is presumed that the Board
will find no difficulty in securing accommodation
for the school to be opened in Madras.

Submitting to Government,
with remarks letter from the
Deputy Commissioners of Alkari
reporting on the results of the
Examination held for the Officers
of the Distillery School at
Waltair was simply to

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With reference to the Hon. Member's query on draft on C No 68/10 & the Secretary's question thereupon, it is submitted that the B2 was requested (in the draft) to furnish the list of officers selected for training at Wallair under the following circumstances.

In para 3 of B.P. in G.O. No 291 of 3rd May 1971, the B2 proposed that the school at Wallair should consist of 1 Insp., five Asst. Insps & four selected Sub Insps. Govt approved of the scheme & called for a list of the officers selected for training (vide clause 1 para 1 of G.O. quoted above). The list furnished by the B2 & to which the H.M. refers is not submitted in direct response to this call, but incidentally in connection with the marking of the ^{Encl} papers. Moreover the list shows 12 names whereas the G.O. sanctioned the deputation of 10 officers. Whether the remaining two (last two on the list) officers are to be treated as having been on deputation or not can only be decided after getting a list of officers in direct reply to the G.O. above quoted. It is too much to overlook the fact of the B2 having sent the list of officers. The portion underlined in the pencil on p. 3 of the G.O. will show what object the list was called for. ^{it is subm} ^{the} ^{with} ^{in through} ^{turn} out the whole course of instruction was imply to

1 Insp.
5 Asst. Insps
6 Sub Insps

* 1 C.D. who returned to duty thro' ill health on 7/7/71
1 S.D. posted on famine duty on 9/7/71
Even after deducting these officers, there will be 1 Insp., 4 A.D.S. & 5 S.D.S., against 1 Insp., 5 A.D.S. & 4 S.D.S. sanctioned.

* Which was done before the draft was submitted for approval

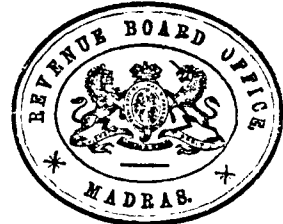
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Issue the order in answer
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Proceedings of the Board of Revenue

(Separate Revenue.)

Dated 4th August 1897.
 No. 3361.

Read the following letter from E. Bennett Esq.
 Deputy Commissioner of Abkari to the Secretary
 to the Commissioner of Salt, Abkari & Separate
 Revenue, Madras, No. 117 dated 28th July 1897.

I have the honour to forward herewith for
 the information of the Board, the questions set in
 the examination I held on the 16th instant before
 closing the Distillery School at Waltair, also a
 copy of the Regulations under which the exami-
 nation was held; the papers submitted by the
 members of the class and a tabulated statement
 showing the results obtained.

Dealing first with the questions set, the Board
 will see that they are all of a practical nature;
 some such as would only occasionally arise in the
 course of a Distillery Officer's career, others those with
 which he would daily have to deal. My aim through-
 out the whole course of instruction was simply to

to be returned

Vide para 12 of the
 Rules communicated
 with Board Proceedings
 No. 2131 (S.R.)
 dated 24th May 1897.

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turn out Capable Distillery Officers, and in this I claim, on paper at least, to have succeeded at least equally to my expectations.

A perusal of the papers will show that a majority of them evince a thorough knowledge of the subjects dealt with and that even in the cases where comparative failure has resulted yet there is evidence of sufficient knowledge of distillery practice, as I have endeavoured to explain it, to render the writers, all men without previous distillery knowledge or high educational requirements, quite capable of taking charge of a Distillery.

In the matter of marking the results I have dealt liberally, and have endeavoured to discharge the somewhat difficult task with the greatest impartiality.

Dealing with the results, it will be noticed that I have marked the first four papers as "excellent".

On point of fact, there is little or nothing to choose between them; they all show a most intelligent grasp of the whole subject, the errors in the answers being in all cases, both few and unimportant.

Almost equally great praise may be given to the next three, classed as "Very good". Although slightly below the standards of those before dealt with they are well and intelligently written and reflect great credit upon the writers.

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Of the remaining three papers, two of which are classed as "good" and the third as "fairly good" they are exactly what is there expressed. In the case of the second, I was sorry to see that no attempt has been made to deal with question No. 4 in the morning paper which it will be seen had been correctly done by all the others. In the case of the last paper, question No. 5 in the morning paper suffered a like fate. Both these questions dealt with the wash, a subject to which I have devoted a very large amount of time and trouble. Another stumbling block as regards these two papers was the gauging of an elliptical vessel, neither of them touching it. This, however, although lowering the total marks obtained, does not detract to a proportionately great extent from the practical value of the papers, as the necessity for applying such knowledge may never occur in the Distilleries here.

Summarising these results I may say that I consider them entirely satisfactory and that I can with confidence recommend the officers to the Board as capable of taking efficient charge of any distillery and safe-guarding the Revenue there.

I would submit to the Board ^{that} as soon as practicable the work of placing these Assistant and Sub-Inspectors in charge of Distilleries should be undertaken, as they know exactly the points on which I lay the greatest stress, and would, on the introduction of

of the new statements now under consideration be able to do much to ensure their success.

The course was as the Board is aware shortened by a fortnight owing to the pressing need of men for famine duty in the Northern Division. Two men were taken from the class before its close by the Deputy Commissioners, one Assistant Inspector, J. M. R. Cresswell, was himself anxious to return to his outside duties as he was suffering very badly from intermittent fever and unable to devote himself thoroughly to the necessary study. The other, Sub Inspector, K. L. Narasimha Rao was peremptorily ordered away: he had always been a most attentive student and it seems hard that so close towards the end of a course he should have been drafted away and all chance of showing how much he had benefited by the course taken from him.

As a consequence of this shortening of the course, a portion of the syllabus was only barely glanced at: had the full course been followed, I intended to have given a second day's examination on purely scientific and theoretical subjects connected with distilling and brewing. This would undoubtedly have severely

severely handicapped those who had no previous scientific training and I have consequently decided when holding other classes that marks shall only be allotted for the practical papers and that the theoretical ones shall be optional. This will remove all disabilities from the less highly educated competitor."

Resolution

Submitted for the information of Government. The result of the course appears to have been very satisfactory. The Board regrets that it was unable to allow the officers the full term it had intended (two months) but early in July the prospects of heavy demands being made on the Department for officers for famine duty were so serious that it thought it advisable to ask the Abkari Deputy Commissioner to shorten the course a little. The Commissioner has spoken with some of the officers who attended and believes that they have received a very valuable training indeed short though the term has been.

2. The marking of the papers set by the Abkari Deputy Commissioner has been somewhat liberal but

but it would not ^{be} well to expect too much from men undergoing a short semi-scientific course which their previous education had in many cases not led up to in any way.

3. The Board proposes to commence another course as soon as the contraction of farming operations renders it possible to get men together. It proposes Madras as the centre on this occasion with a visit of a few days to Ranipettai for practical work in a large distillery.

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(True Extract)

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Assistant Secretary

To the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department
(with enclosures to be returned)
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