

THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL OF THE GOVERNOR OF BIHAR AND ORISSA.

Monday, the 4th September 1933.

The Council met in the Council Chamber at Ranchi at 11 A.M.
the Hon'ble the President in the Chair.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS.

NAMES AND QUALIFICATIONS OF THE SUB-REGISTRARS APPOINTED WITHIN LAST TWO YEARS.

100. Mr. MUHAMMAD YUNUS : Will Government be pleased to state the names of persons appointed within the last two years as sub-registrars with their qualifications ?

Mr. B. K. GOKHALE : A statement is laid on the table.

*Statement showing the names and qualifications of sub-registrars
appointed in 1931, 1932 and 1933.*

Names.	Educational qualifications
1931.	
1. Babu Darbeshwar Prashad ...	Read up to B. A. (4th year).
2. Babu Kali Charan Patnaik ...	Passed the I. A. examination and read up to the 4th year class.
3. Maulavi Saiyid Muhammad Saleh ...	Passed the I. A. examination.
4. Babu Babban Pande ...	B. A. (Honours).
5. Maulavi Saiyid Shafi Haider ...	B. A.
1932.	
6. Babu Upendra Nath Mahanti ...	B. A.
1933.	
7. Babu Chandra Shekhar De ...	B. A.

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Rai Bahadur SARAT CHANDRA RAY : Is it a fact that during the last three years there has been a decrease in the demand for labour in the Assam tea gardens ?

Mr. J. W. HOULTON : There may be a decrease but there is not a very big decrease.

Mr. NANDA KUMAR GHOSH : Referring to the figures for Ranchi, will Government be pleased to state what is the object of this large number of labour going to Assam ? Is it to earn money ?

Mr. J. W. HOULTON : Sir, I do not see what answer I could possibly give to this.

Mr. NANDA KUMAR GHOSH : Is it a fact that they go to Assam and Bengal to work as labourers, earn money and send lots of money by money order ?

The Hon'ble the PRESIDENT : The hon'ble member can draw his own inference.

PERCENTAGE OF PASSES AT THE LAST MATRICULATION EXAMINATION.

122. Rai Bahadur LACHHMI PRASHAD SINHA : Will Government be pleased to state—

(a) the percentage of passes at the last matriculation examination of the Patna University ;

(b) the percentage of passes for the last five preceding years ;

(c) the reasons for considerable fall in the percentage of passes at the last examination as compared with the percentages in the preceding five years ?

Mr. B. K. GOKHALE : (a) and (b) A statement is laid on the table.

(c) The reasons are as follows :—

(1) with effect from the year 1932, and more strictly from the year 1933, the so-called supplementary examination has been made a real supplementary examination for which only the following classes of students are eligible :—

(i) Candidates who were sent up for the annual examination, but who for some sufficient cause (certified as such by the

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head of the institution at which they last studied) were unable to appear, or having passed in the subject or subjects in which they appeared, are certified by such head to have been prevented by illness from completing the examination;

(ii) candidates who failed at the annual examination by reason of failing in the aggregate only;

(iii) candidates who failed at the annual examination in one subject only, even if they did not pass in the aggregate;

(iv) candidates who failed at the annual examination in two subjects only, but who passed in the aggregate.

This restriction has led to a large increase in the number of candidates presented at the annual examination. Many of them in previous years would have appeared for the first time at the examination held in June and under the new circumstances ought to have been kept back for the next annual examination.

(2) The presentation of examinees by many new schools which have not yet learnt the standard required. The great majority of these students failed.

(3) Increased feebleness of the preliminary test owing to competition among schools for pupils.

(4) Improper admissions to the highest classes of high schools. A very large proportion of the candidates so admitted failed.

(5) As compared with the year 1933, to a slight extent, the rise of standard after due notice in certain subjects in which it had been too low.

Statistics relating to the Matriculation Examination.

Year.	No. of schools presenting candidate.	No. of candidates appeared.	No. of candidates passed.	Percentage of passes.	
1	2	3	4	5	
1928 (Annual)	...	142	2,518	1,134	45.3
Supplementary	...	140	1,393	385	27.6
1929 (Annual)	...	143	2,885	1,318	45.6
(Supplementary)	...	141	1,852	587	31.6

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Year.	No. of schools presenting candidate.	No. of candidates appeared.	No. of candidates passed.	Percentage of passes.
1	2	3	4	5
1930 (Annual) ...	154	2,729	1,469	53.8
(Supplementary) ...	144	1,446	517	35.7
1931 (Annual) ...	161	3,234	1,364	42.1
(Supplementary) ...	150	1,499	441	29.4
1932 (Annual) ...	174	3,837	1,416	36.9
(Supplementary) ...	156	1,035*	290	28.0
1933 (Annual) ...	184	4,057	1,192	29.4
(Supplementary) ...	163	935*	317	33.9

* Of these 84 and 145 respectively had not appeared at the Annual examination of whom only 9 and 12 respectively passed, equivalent to 10.7 and 8.3 per cent.

RULES REGULATING ADMISSION TO THE PRINCE OF WALES MEDICAL COLLEGE, PATNA.

123. Rai Bahadur LACHHMI PRASHAD SINHA : Will Government be pleased to state—

(a) the rules regulating admission to the Prince of Wales Medical College, Patna ;

(b) whether any fixed percentage is laid down for admission of candidates from different communities in the province ;

(c) if it is a fact that some seats reserved for Bihari Hindus have been given to non-Biharis at the last selection of candidates for admission ;

(d) if the reply to clause (c) be in the affirmative, the reasons for doing so ;

(e) if it is a fact that out of 8 seats reserved for Bihari Muhammadans, about 2 or 3, have gone to non-Biharis ;

(f) if the reply to clause (e) be in the affirmative, why these seats were given to non-Biharis when separate seats are reserved for them ;