

(B) Exemption from the Written Examination.

Candidates who possess by the 29th March, 1956 one of the educational qualifications set out below will be exempted from the written examination.

(a) A General Certificate of Education with passes in the following subjects:—

- (i) English Language at Ordinary level.
- (ii) At least two of the following at Advanced level:—
Pure Mathematics, Applied Mathematics, Pure and Applied Mathematics, Physics, Chemistry.
- (iii) Mathematics at Ordinary level if no Mathematics subject is offered under (ii).
- (iv) Physics or Chemistry or Physics with Chemistry or General Science at Ordinary level, if neither Physics nor Chemistry is offered under (ii).
- (v) Additional subjects at Ordinary or Advanced level to bring the total number of subjects up to five.

(NOTE.—The same subject may not be offered at both Ordinary and Advanced level. Physics with Chemistry or General Science at Ordinary level may not be offered in addition to Physics or Chemistry at Advanced level.)

(b) The Scottish Leaving Certificate with passes in five subjects, of which one must be English. Three of the passes must be on the higher grade: one of the higher grade passes must be Mathematics and another Science (including Physics or Chemistry). (Passes at the Scottish Universities Preliminary Examination will be accepted as equivalent to passes in the Scottish Leaving Certificate.)

(c) A Grammar School Senior Certificate awarded by the Ministry of Education, Northern Ireland with passes in the following subjects:—

- (i) English Language at Ordinary level.
- (ii) At least two of the following at Advanced level:—
Algebra and Trigonometry, Calculus, Geometry, Mechanics, Physics, Chemistry.
- (iii) Mathematics if no mathematical subject is offered under (ii).
- (iv) Physics or Chemistry if neither is offered under (ii).
- (v) Additional subjects at Ordinary or Advanced level to bring the total number of subjects up to five.

(NOTE 1.—The same subject may not be offered at Ordinary and Advanced level.

NOTE 2.—A candidate who has not been awarded the actual Certificate but who produces evidence that he has passed in the acceptable subjects will be regarded as fulfilling the condition for exemption from the written examination.)

(d) Any combination of two or more of the following which, in the opinion of the Commissioners is equivalent to (a) above:—a School Certificate, a Higher School Certificate, a General Certificate of Education, a Scottish Leaving Certificate, passes in the Scottish Universities Preliminary Examination, a Grammar School Senior Certificate of Northern Ireland, a Grammar School Junior Certificate of Northern Ireland, a pass in an Intermediate Examination in Science of a British University.

(e) A statement from the Scottish Education Department to the effect that a candidate has taken the Scottish Leaving Certificate and has reached a standard equivalent to (a) and (d) above.

(C) Interview.

Of those who obtain the highest total of marks in the written examination, a certain number, to be determined by the Commissioners, together with those granted exemption from the written examination will be summoned to an interview before a selection board. The selection board will recommend to the Commissioners for appointment those candidates who appear to them to be most suitable. The Commissioners' decision will be final.

Of the vacancies to be filled not less than fifteen per cent. will be reserved for candidates who reach a standard satisfactory to the Commissioners and who

(a) have completed by 1st March, 1956, a period of not less than three years' continuous full-time service in H.M. Forces of which not less than one year must have been whole-time voluntary service entered into for a fixed period (including in the case of officers a permanent commission); or

(b) have contracted to complete a fixed period of whole-time voluntary service (including in the case of officers a permanent commission) which would have qualified under (a) and been invalidated before completing that period; or

(c) have contracted to complete in the Royal Air Force a fixed period of whole-time voluntary service (including in the case of officers a permanent commission) which would have qualified under (a) and been released, with full terminal benefits, before completing that period, under special arrangements made by the Air Ministry for those returning from service overseas near the end of their engagement.

No candidate will be eligible for inclusion in this reservation if his whole-time service ceased more than two years before 1st March, 1956.

6. Candidates Trained as Teachers.

Candidates who have been trained as teachers and upon whose training public money has been spent, cannot be appointed until the consent of the appropriate central education authority (e.g. the Ministry of Education, the Scottish Education Department, the Ministry of Education for Northern Ireland) has been notified to the Commissioners.

7. Fee.

An application fee of 15s. is payable by all candidates. This must be sent with the application form and is not returnable in any circumstances. A further fee of £1 5s., being the balance of the prescribed fee of £2, must be paid by each candidate on admission to the examination. (Candidates exempted from the written examination must pay the further fee of £1 5s. when called upon to do so.)

The Civil Service Commissioners further give notice that an Open Competition will be held under the above Regulations, the written examination commencing on 23rd May, 1956.

No person will be admitted to the Competition from whom the Secretary of the Civil Service Commission has not received, on or before 29th March, 1956, an application on the prescribed form which may be obtained from the Secretary at once.

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The Postmaster General hereby gives notice that on and from the 1st March, 1956, all licences of the above mentioned types granted by him shall be read, construed and take effect as if in the schedules attached thereto instead of the frequencies 7 to 7.3 Megacycles per second the frequencies 7 to 7.10 and *7.10 to 7.15 Megacycles per second were specified.

Dated this 24th day of February, 1956.

NOTE: The meaning of the asterisk already appears on the Schedule attached to each licence.

Office of the High Commissioner for India.

The High Commissioner for India has with the approval of the Secretary of State for Commonwealth Relations, appointed, Mr. W. Walker, Assistant Superintendent, Mercantile Marine Office, Glasgow, to superintend the transfer of Lascars or other persons and to grant the Certificate required under Section 125 of the Merchant Shipping Act, 1894 (57 and 58 Vic. Cap. 60).

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STATEMENT showing the QUANTITIES SOLD and AVERAGE PRICES OF BRITISH CORN per cwt. of 112 Imperial lb. computed from returns received by the MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE, FISHERIES AND FOOD in the week ended 18th February, 1956, pursuant to the Corn Returns Act, 1882, the Corn Sales Act, 1921, and the Agriculture (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act, 1943.

British Corn	Quantities Sold		Average Price per Cwt.	
	cwt.		s.	d.
WHEAT	617,578		24	9
BARLEY	550,680		23	11
OATS	88,548		22	6

NOTE.—The above statement is based on returns received from 174 prescribed towns in England and Wales in the week