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REGULATIONS.

*Education Department,
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HIS Excellency the Governor in Executive Council has been pleased to approve the following Regulations of the Education Department.

CECIL ANDREWS,
Inspector General of Schools.

PRELIMINARY.

All previous Regulations shall be deemed to be repealed.

In these Regulations, unless the context requires a different construction,—

“Minister” means the Minister for Education.

“Department” means the Education Department.

“District Board” means a District Board of Education.

“Inspector General” and “Inspector” mean, respectively, the Inspector General of Schools, and an Inspector of Schools under the Elementary Education Acts.

“Government School” means a School established and maintained as such under the said Acts.

“Efficient School” means a School recognised by the Minister as giving efficient instruction for the purposes of the compulsory clauses of “The Public Education Act, 1899.”

The masculine includes the feminine.

GOVERNMENT SCHOOLS.

1. Government Schools under the Department are of seven kinds.

(a.) State Schools.

(b.) Half-time Schools.

(c.) Provisional Schools.

(d.) House-to-House Schools, or Schools in sparsely-peopled districts.

(e.) Special Schools.

(f.) Evening Schools.

(g.) Technical, Art, or other Schools supported by grant from Parliament.

2. Application for the establishment of the several classes of Schools must be made on the forms prescribed, which may be obtained at the office of the Education Department.

a. STATE SCHOOLS.

3. A State School may be established in any locality where an average attendance of twenty children, between the ages of six and fourteen years, can be guaranteed.

4. Should the average daily attendance at any State School, during a period of twelve months, fall below twenty, such School shall be made Provisional or Half-time, unless it can be shown that temporary causes have prevented the attendance from reaching the required standard. The classification of Schools may be revised after a less period if there is sufficient evidence that the variation in numbers is likely to be permanent.

b. HALF-TIME SCHOOLS.

5. Wherever at least twenty children, between the ages of six and fourteen, are residing within an estimated radius of ten miles from a central point, and can be collected in two groups, affording an aggregate average attendance of sixteen children, an Itinerant Teacher may be appointed, and Schools so established shall be designated Half-time Schools.

6. Aid will not be granted towards the maintenance of Half-time Schools unless suitable buildings are provided by the applicants.

7. Each schoolroom shall have at least 11 square feet per scholar of floor space, a boarded floor, a fire-place, an out-office, and be properly lighted and ventilated. Some good drinking water must be available.

8. The teachers of Half-time Schools must make the same Returns and keep the same Registers as those of State Schools.

9. Half-time Schools shall be classified in the same manner as State Schools, and the teachers shall be paid the same rates of salary. Where necessary, an annual allowance of £15 for forage may be paid in addition to the salary.

10. Teachers shall conduct their Schools as State Schools, but the subjects of instruction may be limited by leave of the Department.

11. Teachers of Half-time Schools must divide their time equally between the two Schools—in the first week two days at one School, three days at the other; the next week *vice versa*. If other arrangements be found more suitable, they may be adopted under the authority of the Inspector General.

c. PROVISIONAL SCHOOLS.

12. In a district where, in the Minister's opinion, the permanence of settlement is sufficiently assured for some time, a Provisional School may be established when not fewer than ten and not more than nineteen children, between the ages of six and fourteen, can regularly attend such School; provided that no Provisional School shall be established within four miles, by the nearest route practicable for children, of any existing State, Provisional, or Half-time School.



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