

3. Every candidate must be a natural-born British subject, the child of a person who is or was at the time of death a British subject; provided that exception may be made in the case of natural-born British subjects who have satisfactorily completed a period of not less than five years' service on full pay in His Majesty's Regular Forces.

Provided also that if the Civil Service Commissioners are satisfied in the case of any candidate who is a British subject but does not fulfil all the requirements of the rule as to nationality and descent, that the candidate is so closely connected by ancestry and upbringing with His Majesty's dominions that an exception may properly be made to that rule, they may accept such candidate as eligible provided that this discretion shall not be exercisable unless (a) the father or the paternal grandfather of the candidate was a natural-born British subject, and (b) neither the father nor the paternal grandfather had acquired any other nationality by naturalization or by any other voluntary and formal act.

4. Persons holding situations in the Civil Service must obtain the permission of the authorities of their Department to apply for appointment.

No person actually serving in the Army, Navy, or Air Force will be eligible for consideration unless he produces, when called upon to do so, the permission of his Commanding Officer to apply for appointment, dated before his appearance before the Selection Board, and given in accordance with such orders as may from time to time be issued.

Persons upon whose training for the occupation of teacher public money has been spent cannot be appointed until the consent of the appropriate education authority has been notified to the Civil Service Commissioners.

5. Candidates must have studied Science at an institution of University rank and qualified by examination in Science for a degree or equivalent diploma. Where special qualifications are required particulars will be given in the advertisement.

6. The completed application forms will be scrutinised by the Ministry and selected candidates will be interviewed by a Board consisting of representatives of the Ministry and of the Civil Service Commissioners. The Board will recommend to the Ministry for appointment to the vacancies existing those candidates who appear to them to possess the highest qualifications, provided they find so many suitable.

Any attempt on the part of candidates to enlist support for their applications through Members of Parliament or other influential persons will disqualify them for appointment. The Selection Board will disregard spontaneous recommendations from persons who are not personally acquainted with the candidate's previous work.

7. The necessary number of candidates will be appointed on probation, subject to their satisfying the Civil Service Commissioners that they are eligible for appointment in respect of age, nationality, health and character, and to the payment of a fee of £4.

Women candidates must be unmarried or widows and will normally be required to resign

their appointments on marriage; but exception to the rule requiring resignation on marriage may, in individual circumstances, be made where the employment of a married woman is considered advisable in the light of her special qualifications, or special experience in relation to the duties required of her, or of the special requirements of the Department.

8. The retention of Officers will be conditional on the Ministry being satisfied as to their conduct and capacity.

9. Service as Assistant Naturalist will be probationary for a period of one year, on the completion of which an Assistant Naturalist will be eligible for consideration for appointment to the established staff if and when a vacancy occurs thereon. Appointment to the established staff is conditional on the issue by the Civil Service Commissioners of a Certificate of Qualification. A fee of £4, being the balance of the prescribed fee of £8, is payable before the Certificate of Qualification can be issued.

*Civil Service Commission,
March 27, 1936.*

The Civil Service Commissioners hereby give notice that an Open Competitive Examination for Cadetships in the Ceylon Civil Service will be held in London and Colombo in July and August, 1936.

The examination will be confined to candidates of Ceylonese descent on both sides or of mixed European and Ceylonese descent.

No person will be admitted to examination in London from whom the Secretary, Civil Service Commission, has not received, on or before the 8th May, 1936, an application in the candidate's own handwriting, on a prescribed form, which may be obtained from the Secretary at once.

*India Office,
London, S.W.1.
25th March, 1936.*

INDIA 5½% STOCK, 1936/38.

The Secretary of State for India in Council, in accordance with the conditions specified in the prospectus of the 6th February, 1931, under which the Government of India 5½% Stock, 1936/38, was issued, namely, that the Stock might be redeemed at par on, or on any half-yearly interest date after, the 15th July, 1936, on three calendar months' notice being given in the London Gazette, hereby gives notice that it is his intention to redeem at par on the 15th July, 1936, the amount of the Stock outstanding on that date.

Repayment will be made at the Bank of England, from whom information as to the procedure that will be followed can be ascertained. As from the 15th July, 1936, interest on this Stock will cease to be payable.

*S. F. Stewart,
Under Secretary of State.*