Education (Amendment No. 2) Regulations, 1959

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Regulations made by the Governor on the advice of the Minister under section 38 of the Education Ordinance, 1957

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Education (Amendment No. 2) Regulations, 1959, and shall be read as one with the Education Regulations, 1957, as subsequently amended, hereinafter referred to as the principal regulations,

2. Regulation 3 of the principal regulations shall have effect as if for paragraph (b) there were substituted the following paragraph:-

   (b) For the secondary School stage-

   (i) A Cambridge Overseas School Certificate, or London General Certificate of Education with passes in five subjects including English Language at ordinary level at one and the same sitting, or passes not necessarily obtained at the same sitting in one subject at advanced level and in four subjects at ordinary level, English Language being one of those subjects, or an equivalent certificate; and

   (ii) A post-graduate Certificate of Education, or two years’ satisfactory service in a Government or approved secondary school or such other school as may be acceptable to the Director:

Provided that the Director shall have power to direct that such service may be dispensed with in any special case.

3. The following regulations shall be inserted immediately after regulation 4 of the principal regulations-

   4A. Except with the Director's approval, no teacher shall be employed in a secondary school to teach in any class above Form IV unless he possesses a Cambridge Higher School Certificate with a pass in General Paper and in five units as defined in the Cambridge Syndicate regulations, or a London General Certificate of Education with a pass in English Language at ordinary level and passes in three other subjects at advanced level or a pass in English Language and another subject at ordinary level and passes in two other subjects at advanced level.

   4B. Except with the Director's approval, no secondary school shall be entirely staffed with uncertificated teachers.

   4C. No uncertificated teacher shall be employed or shall act as the principal of a secondary school, or any section or department of the same school.
4D. In every secondary school there shall be an overall teacher to pupil ratio of one teacher to thirty pupils. The size of any one class shall not exceed forty pupils.

4. Regulation 36 of the principal regulations shall have effect as if-

(a) for paragraph (1) there were substituted the following-

(1) No school premises shall be situated in or over any godown, shop, store or factory unless the Director is satisfied that no danger or hazard will be created thereby and that the health or well being of the pupils will not be adversely affected.

Where permission is granted for the use of school premises over godowns, shops, stores or factories provision shall he made for fire control measures to the satisfaction of the Controller Fire Services.

(b) in paragraph (4) for the words "or balcony " there were substituted the punctuation and words, " balcony or cellar".

(c) for paragraph (6) there were substituted the following paragraph-

(6) Every school shall he provided with adequate and suitable furniture and equipment. Writing space shall be provided as follows-

(a) for primary schoolchildren, not less than 18 inches in length by 15 inches in width ;

(b) for secondary schoolchildren, not less than 24 inches in length by 18 inches in width, measured on the bench or table top.

(d) the following paragraphs were added:

(7) Every classroom shall have at least one blackboard, the minimum dimensions of which shall be 5’ x 3’.

(8) Where a secondary school possesses a laboratory the latter shall be subject to annual approval by the Director or an officer deputed on his behalf with regard to the equipment and supply of chemicals and other materials.

(9) There shall be a minimum general classroom area calculated on the basis of 8 square feet per pupil, exclusive of library and laboratory space.

5. Regulation 37 of the principal regulations shall have effect as if-
(a) the following were added at the end of (5)-

“There shall be at least one tap for every 80 pupils.”;

(b) the following paragraph were inserted immediately after paragraph (3), the subsequent paragraphs being renumbered (5), (6), (7) and, (8) respectively-

(4) Where laboratories are built together in one block there shall be separate entrances for boys and girls.

6. Regulation 42 of the principal regulations shall have effect as if the following paragraph were added thereto, the first paragraph thereof being numbered accordingly:-

(2) Every secondary school to which paragraph (1) of this regulation is not applicable shall have available for inspection, attendance registers in a form acceptable to the Director, a copy of the Education Ordinance, 1957, and the regulations made thereunder and a copy of the school time table which shall be displayed preferably in the Principals' Office or some other prominent place.

Approved by the Governor on the twenty-second day of April one thousand nine hundred and fifty-nine and ordered to come into force at once.

ROBERT NEWTON,

Colonial Secretary.