

## Government of Tamil Nadu

### Synopsis

Government examinations – Boys and girls with dyslexia – Higher Secondary Secondary, Middle School, Matriculation, Anglo India and ESLC and similar examinations – concessions – Government order regarding.

Department of School Education (V)

GO. No. 110		Date: 17.07.2003
1. G.O. No. 47	School Education	dated 18.02.1999
2. G.O. No. 57	School Education	dated 28.02.2003
3. Government circular No. 8078/V/2003. I	School Education	dated 12.03.2003
4. Letter of Smt. Ayesha Rao Managing Trustee of “The Little Theatre”.		dated 09.04.2003.
5. Letter of Director of Government Education No. 210029/M/2003		dated 02.06.2003 and 17.06.2003

#### Order

As per GO Sl. No 1 above, the Director of School Examinations is authorized to give the following concessions to children with dyslexia and other disabilities, on the basis of medical/Psychiatrist's certificate.

1. Extra time to answer examination paper.
  2. Use of calculator
  3. Using clarke's table
  4. Appointment of scribe to read the question paper or answer the paper.
2. Recently, according to Sl. No. cited above, a student namely Koshy Thomas who is suffering from dyslexia wanted to appear privately without attending regular classes for the Anglo Indian Examination of March 2003. He was permitted to appear privately with the following concessions namely extra time to answer the examination, exemption from languages. Later Koshy Thomas wanted the stream of examination to be changed from Anglo Indian Examination to appear State SSLC examination of March 2003. In this case the GO No. 57 of School Education (Sl. No. 2 (where concessions are given for dyslexic students is applicable to middle school and SSLC examinations.
3. The managing trustee of “The Little Theatre” situated at Egmore has appealed to government that her child Ajay Rao is suffering from dyslexia and at the moment he is studying at Lady Andal Matriculation School. Because of dyslexia he has difficulty in studying languages and hence asked for exemption from studying languages.
4. The Government discussed with the Director of Government examinations regarding giving concessions to children suffering from dyslexia. These children should apply for concessions to the Director of Government Examinations with recommendation from medical practitioners/psychiatrists.

School teachers and special educators. The Director of Government Examinations will examine these applications and can accord following concessions:

1. He/she can be a regular student in a school or directly appear for the examinations after getting trained from special educators.
2. For every examination one hour extra time can be given.
3. He/She can be exempted from any one language and if anyone wants to appear for both languages, they can be permitted.
4. While valuing the answer papers of other subjects, marks need not be deducted for spelling mistakes. The gist of the answer can be taken into consideration and marks may be awarded. The director of government examinations may advice the valuers accordingly.

As per the Governor's orders.

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## **Synopsis Government Order**

School Education – Government Examination Department.

The Director of Examination has been authorized to give examination concessions to the students, affected by dyslexia and other physical disabilities who are appearing for the public examinations conducted by the Board of Education for higher secondary, secondary, matriculation, Anglo Indians, E.S.L.C. etc.

### **SCHOOL EDUCATION DEPARTMENT**

Government Order No. 47 dt. 18.02.99

Director of Examination Letter No. 031118/161/99 dt: 09.02.1999.

Order:

1. For the last 10 years the Principal of Sree Vidya Matriculation Higher Secondary School has been taking steps to give remedial education to her students who were identified as dyslexics with the help of special educators. These dyslexic students despite their intelligence are backward only in academics. The principal has requested the Director of Exam to give examination concession provisions like extra time or practical and written examinations use of calculator, use of clarke's tables, use of scribes read out the question paper etc. for the dyslexic students appearing for 10<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> Public examination.
2. Based on the above mentioned principals' requests, the Director of Examination requested the Government to grant examination concession not only for this school but also to give him the powers to grant examination concession to others students (boys/girls) who apply other Okinds of disabilities too.
3. The Government has scrutinized the director's recommendations (Students with dyslexia and other disabilities) the Director of examination has been given the general authority to provide examination concessions to all students, dyslexic and with other disabilities who are appearing for secondary school, higher secondary school , matriculation, Anglo Indian, E.S.L.C. and other government examinations after scrutiny the recommendations from a panel of doctors, psychologists, educationists along with the earlier case history school from the school.
4. After scrutiny as mentioned in para 3, the Director is requested to take proper course of action in giving examination concession to students of Sree Vidyalaya Matriculation Higher Secondary School.

//As per Government Order//

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