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Mr. B.C. Bhattacharya joined this department less than a month ago. The remarks which follow emerge, therefore, out of less than a month's impressions.

Mr. Bhattacharya has struck me as a good and conscientious teacher. He did research work in mathematical statistics under Pearson in London during 1936-1939 and published two original papers on the same subject in India since then. But during the last three years he has produced no original work of statistical mathematical nature. He has, however, published one paper in 1946 of a purely statistical nature. Work of that nature is not considered very favourably in the mathematical world. He has copious popular articles in Bengali to his credit. He has manuscripts ready for a book of astronomy, but its publication is still in an embryonic stage. He acted as a part-time lecturer in Statistics at Dacca, and the lecture notes which he has published are well-written and carefully thought out. I cannot help feeling that with his training

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he could have achieved a good deal more. Considering everything, however, I recommend his application for crossing the efficiency bar.

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