

Educational (1912) Department.

ORDINARY MS.

G.O., No. 73

DATED 30-1-12

[Despatch Abstract.]

Mylapore girls' School.

Passing orders on the
question of the transfer of the Tamil Training
Section of the Presidency Training School
for Misses to Mylapore and taking
over the ~~management of the~~ under
Govt Management.

BACK PAPERS.

G.O.	No.	Department.	Date.	G.O.	No.	Department.	

FURTHER PAPERS.

G.O.	No.	Department.	Date.	G.O.	No.	Department.	

CURRENT FILE.

EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT.

Received 24 NOV 1911 191 , Registered 24. 11. 1911.



Subject.

Replying to G.O. No. 476 Educational, dated 15th July 1911 in regard to the question of transferring the Tamil Training section of the Presidency Training School for Mistresses to Mylapore and taking over of the Mylapore Girls' School by Government.

ENCLOSURES.

No.

Spare copies

Ref on Current No. 3100/08

Station Madras, Dated the 23 November 1911.

From (Name) The Hon'ble Mr. A. C. Bourne, D.Sc., F.R.S., C.I.E.,

(Designation) Director of Public Instruction,

To The Secretary to the Government of Madras,
Educational Department.

Sir,

In continuation of this office letter Ref on Cur No. 3100/08 dated 23rd June 1911 and with reference to para 2(b) of G.O. No. 476, Educational, dated 15th July 1911, I have the honour to state that the Inspectress of Girls' Schools, Central Circle reports that the present building of the Panchama Training School is most ill-suited for the Tamil section of the Presidency Training School for Mistresses in view of the fact that the area is congested, that there is no vacant space for the construction of hostels and residential quarters and that the population in and about the locality belongs largely to the lowest class of the Hindu community. Owing to the large demand that exists at present for women teachers of the secondary grade, she is of opinion that eventually the Tamil Training School should be of the secondary grade and that a good secondary model school should be worked in conjunction with the training school. With this view she inspected several localities and has come to the conclusion that Mylapore

Page 23 of

476

15-7-11

is best suited for the purpose having regard to the facts that the locality has a large caste Hindu population who are expected to be keen about educating their girls and that the Committee of the Hindu Girls' School in the locality have expressed their readiness to transfer that institution to Government on certain conditions, which will be referred to hereafter.

2. As regards this school, it is stated that the building which is a new and substantial one erected at a cost of Rs 14,000/- is situated in a healthy locality and has a large vacant space to the rear of the building, which may be easily acquired and which will suffice for play grounds, hostels and residential quarters.

The Inspectress thinks that in case the Tamil Training Section is removed from Egmore to Mylapore it will be possible to train at least 60 teachers annually instead of 30 as at present. As a suitable building will be required for the adequate training of such a large number of teachers she proposes that a building similar to the one designed for training schools for masters may be erected in that locality instead of improving the badly designed building at Egmore.

3. The Committee of the Hindu Girls' School were at first prepared to hand over the school together with their buildings, appliances &c. only on the terms specified in the enclosed copy of the Correspondent's letter to the Inspectress No. 35 dated 4th May 1911, but on a subsequent reference to him these terms were somewhat modified as will be observed from the enclosed copies of his letters dated 27th June and 4th September 1911.

Thus the Committee agree to the a caste girls' school up to the third standard of other castes being admitted to the higher standards. It seems to me doubtful whether even this on general principles and whether difficulties arise with regard to the status (in the matter of students under training as teachers.

I also find that an advisory committee suggestions regarding the working of

reference to the local needs" may lead to friction. In the matter of religious instruction the Committee request that the school hours may be so arranged as to commence rather late and close somewhat early in order that at least half an hour before the opening of the school and half an hour after its closing may be available for giving religious instruction. This is almost equivalent to giving the instruction within school hours and involves some departure from the policy hitherto followed.

4. The advantages accruing from the scheme may, however, be considered by the Government as outweighing these disadvantages. I therefore submit the proposals for their consideration. If the proposals are accepted, the school might be taken over by Government with effect from 1st January 1912 and worked as a model school for the Tamil Training School, which may then be transferred from Egmore to Mylapore, and the revised scale of salaries sanctioned in G.O. No. 476, Educational, dated 15th July 1911 brought into effect from that date.

I have the honour to be,

S i r ,

Your most obedient servant,

O. Krishnaswami

For Director of Public Instruction.

N.V.S.

Oh

No. 35

From

M.R.Ry

M. Ramachandrayya Garu, B.A.

Correspondent, Mylapore Girls' School,

M y l a p o r e

To

The Inspectress of Girls' Schools,

Central Circle.

M a d a m ,

Referring to your recent conference with myself and certain other members of the Committee of the Mylapore Girls' School, I have the honour to inform you that the Committee have again anxiously reconsidered the terms proposed for the transfer of the management of the school to Government; the terms as now modified by them are specified below and they hope that they will be accepted.

1 That the Government will be pleased to recognise an advisory Board consisting of five resident gentlemen of Mylapore (to be nominated by Government from the members of the existing Committee) who will arrange for religious instruction and teaching in music, in the school, but outside the usual school hours, and who will be entitled to make, from time to time, suggestions regarding the working of the school, with reference to the local needs. Religious instruction will be compulsory (vide Secretary's letter dated 27th June 1911.--)

2. That the Government will be pleased to accept the Committee's desire that the teachers and servants be all of them women, that the teachers should, as far as possible, be Hindus, Europeans or Eurasians, that the Headmistress should in any case be a Hindu, English or Eurasian and that the school be maintained as a Caste Girls' School as hitherto.

3.

That the permanent fund of the school be retained



M y l a p o r e ,
Dated 4th M a y 1911.

5

in the hands of the Advisory Board for the purpose of arranging for religious instruction and music as contemplated in condition (1) and the scholarship referred to in condition (5).

Rs 2,000 invested
Rs 4,100 building grant
due from Government.
Total 6,100/-

4. That the school building worth about Rs 14,000/- and the furniture, Library, and other school appliances worth about Rs 2,000/- Rs 16,000/- in all be placed at the disposal of Government.

5. That the connection of the Vizianagaram house with the school be kept up by the institution of scholarships in its name from funds at the disposal of the Committee or otherwise.

6. That in the event of the school not being kept up by Government or being transferred elsewhere, or Government finding it impossible to adhere- at any time to the terms specified above, the school with the property now made over or with its equivalent in money to be fixed now, be restored to the Advisory Board on behalf of the Hindu Community.

I have the honour to be, &c.
(Signed) M. Ramachandrayya,
Correspondent.

/True Copy/

G. Krishnamoorti

For Director of Public Instruction.

6 1
23 East Mada Street, Mylapore,

27th June 1911.

From

M.R.Ry

M. Ramachandrayya Garu,

Correspondent, Mylapore, Girls' School,

To

The Inspectress of Girls' Schools, Central Circle.

M a d a m ,

In reply to your letter Cur No. 1897/11 dated 1st June 1911, I have the honour to inform you that the Committee will be satisfied if admission to classes ranging from the infant to the 4th standard both inclusive is restricted to caste Hindu girls and ~~that~~ they (Committee) have no objection to pupils of other castes being admitted to higher classes if opened. I am to add that religious instruction will be compulsory to all pupils infant to IVth and to Hindu girls in the higher classes and to request that the words " religious instruction will be compulsory" may be added at the end of condition 1 specified in my letter No. 35 d/ 4th May 1911.

I have the honour to be &c.,

(Signed) M. Ramachandrayya

C o r r e s p o n d e n t .

P.S. I regret that owing to the absence of most of the members of the Committee from Madras I was unable to send this reply earlier.

(It'd) M.R.

(True Copy)

G. K. S. S. S.

For Director of Public Instruction.

N.V.S.

From

M. R. Ry.

M. Ramachandrayya Garu,

Correspondent, Myslapore Girls' School,

To

The Inspectress of Girls' Schools, Central Circle.

Madam,

Referring to your letter Ref on Cur No. 1897 of 11 dated 22nd August 1911, I have the honour to inform you that the Committee met yesterday and considered the modifications suggested in your letter.

2. The Committee accepts the modification that the school should be restricted to caste girls only up to and inclusive of the third standard.

3. The committee is sorry that the Hon'ble the Director of Public Instruction considers it impossible to allow religious instruction to continue to be compulsory as at present, since the absence of compulsion may have prejudicial effect on such instruction. The objection to making Hindu religious instruction compulsory is probably based on the principle that the Government are and must be neutral in respect of religious matters, but as the school will be restricted to Hindu girls up to the third standard while as regards higher classes Hindu religious instruction is to be given only to Hindu girls studying in them, the Committee doubts whether there will be any breach of the principle of religious neutrality if Hindu religious instruction is made compulsory. The Committee will not however press its proposal if it is still considered impossible. At the same time it requests that the school hours may be so arranged as to commence a little later and close a little earlier in order that at least half an hour before the opening of the school and half an hour after it closes may be available for giving religious instruction &c. i.e. the ordinary school commencing hour being 10 A.M. the committee requests that

8 9
the hour may be fixed at 10-30 so that pupils may be required to attend at 10 and half an hour may be available for religious instruction, so at the end of the school hours.

4. In this connection the Committee requests that the payment of the building grant amounting to Rs 4,100/- may be ordered, as early as possible, as it is necessary to enable the Committee to provide funds for the religious instruction from the date the school is taken over by Government.

I have the honour to be, &c.

(Signed) M. Ramachandrayya,
Correspondent.

(True Copy)

G. V. S. S. S.

For Director of Public Instruction.

N.V.S.

Om

1,000-11-11.

NOTE FILE.

C.No.2938, from the Director of Public Instruction, No.3100 dated 23-11-11.

Subject.

Transfer of the Tamil training section of the Presidency Training school for mistresses to Mylapore and taking over the Mylapore girls' school under Govt. management.

In submitting proposals for the reorganization of the Presidency Training School for mistresses the D.P.I. at first proposed that its Tamil training section should be transferred to Mylapore, one of the important girls' school there, if possible, being taken over by Govt. to serve as a model school. On Govt. enquiring whether there was in existence in Mylapore any school under private management which could be taken over and organized as a model school the D.P.I. reported that the committee of the Hindu Girls' school in Mylapore were willing to hand over their school to Govt. on certain conditions but that as those conditions imposed certain restrictions which could not be fulfilled consistently with the policy followed by Govt. in the management of their schools, he did not recommend that Govt. should take over the management of that school. He therefore proposed that the Tamil training section should be transferred to Georgetown and located in the building now occupied by the Govt. Panchama training school, a girls' school being opened newly in the building to serve as model school for the training section. The Govt. approved this

Page 3 of G.O. no.
476 dtd 8-15-7-11

Memo. 1153-2 on
27-8-10
Page 17 - D.O.

Para 2 of the D.P.I.'s letter
on page 18 - D.O.

D.O.

Page 23 of G.O. no.

476
15-7-11

Page 1 of C.F.

Cf. para 6 of the office note
on page 14 of the notes
with G.O. no. 476
15-7-11

Page 7 of C.F.

D.O.

Page 4 of C.F.

10/11
this proposal in para.2 (b) of G.O.No.476 Edl. dated 15th July 1911 but ~~in~~ in view of ~~the~~ a further report from the D.P.I. that he had reopened negotiations with the committee of the Mylapore Hindu Girls' school for the transfer of their school to Govt. they said that the location proposed for the Tamil training section need not be permanent.

2. The D.P.I. now reports that the present building of the Panchama training school is most ill-suited for the Tamil section of the Presidency ^{Training} School for mistresses as there is no vacant space for the construction of hostels and residential quarters and that the population in and about the locality belongs largely to the lowest class of the Hindu community. He therefore submits for the consideration of Govt. certain proposals for taking over the Mylapore Girls' school. The committee of the school are willing to hand over the school on the following conditions:-

- (1) that the school should be restricted to caste girls only up to and inclusive of the third standard;
- (2) that the school hours may be so arranged as to commence rather late and close somewhat early so that at least half an hour before the opening of the school and half an hour after its closing may be available for giving religious instruction;
- (3) that the Govt. will be pleased to recognize and Advisory Board consisting of five resident gentlemen of Mylapore (to be nominated by Govt. from the members of the existing committee) who will arrange for religious instruction and teaching in music and who will be entitled to make

from

Page 4 of C.F.

Page 5 of C.F.

do

do

do

from time to time suggestions regarding the working of the school with reference to the local needs.

(4) that the Govt. will be pleased to accept the committee's desire that the teachers and servants be all of them women; that the teachers should as far as possible be Hindus, Europeans or Eurasians and that the headmistress should in any case be a Hindu, European or Eurasian.

(5) that the permanent fund of the school should be retained in the hands of the Advisory Board for the purpose of arranging for religious instruction and music.

(6) that the school building worth about
Rs.14,000 and the furniture, library and other school appliances worth about Rs.2,000 or Rs.16,000 in all ^{should} be placed at the disposal of Govt.

(7) that the connection of the Vizianagram house with the school should be kept up by the institution of scholarships in its name from funds at the disposal of the committee or otherwise, and

(8) that in the event of the school not being kept up by Govt. or being transferred elsewhere, or Govt. finding it impossible to adhere at any time to the terms specified above the school with property now made over or its equivalent in money to be fixed now, be restored to the Advisory Board.

Pages 2 & 3 of C.F.

Page 16 of the Code

12

3. The Director is doubtful whether condition (1) can be accepted and apprehends that condition (3) may lead to friction. As regards condition (2) he considers that it is almost equivalent to giving religious instruction within school hours and that it involves some departure from the policy hitherto followed. It will be observed that in the United Provinces provision is made for giving religious instruction within school hours. Para. 74 (a) of the Educational Code of those provinces provides that Headmasters of schools should set apart two half hours in the week for religious instruction by a single instructor to boys whose parents wish them to receive it.

4. The D.P.I. does not recommend that the school be taken over but leaves the decision of the question to Govt. as they may consider that the advantages of the scheme outweighs the disadvantages he has pointed out.

7A
13-12-11

It is submitted that conditions 1 & 3 cannot be accepted.

As for Condition 2, the question of religious instruction in schools under public & private management is shortly to be considered by a Committee and until the views of the Committee have been placed before Govt. the Condition that religious instruction should be given should not, it is submitted, be accepted. The

(M)

Suggestion of the Committee that the school hour may commence a little later + close a little earlier will as pointed out by the D.P.I. only amount to an indirect departure from the policy hitherto followed by Govt.

R.B.

14.12.11

I do not look on condition 143 as ^{absolutely} impossible. No. 3, it is true, was a hope for interference but all the Advisory board can do is to make recommendations to arrange for instruction in religion + ~~music~~ music, both optional. As to condition No. 1, the real difficulty, I think it is that trouble may arise in regard to the training of ^{Indian} teachers who are not caste Hindus themselves. There is no satisfactory means of training a Praichama stipendiary, & if the Tamil section is to meet our requirements it ought to provide for the training of all classes.

2. De Bourne suggests no alternative plan, however, but may be a case of fault or means.
3. The financial aspect of the case cannot be scrutinized on the data now available.

Page 7 of C.B.

Page 3 of C.B.

4. Probable H.M. will like to talk this
over with D. Source. 2. D. -
15-12-4

Circled in Box N-48. H. M.

We cannot possibly have a practicing
School, for our Training School for
Mishenas, with an advisory board of
Gentlemen. We do certainly have friction.
Also we cannot have such a school
with the restriction that it is to be a
Caste school up to the 3rd standard. We
know that the term "Caste" is very
loosely used in this matter, but it
may lead to much difficulty - We had
much better take the school over &
pay for it if it is to be a girls' training
School. We do not like the D.P. but
girls do not agree to the school being
taken over on the term proposed, but
that if he can arrange to get the
school transferred out & out high
for use as a training school, he should
address for again. With the money
we pay for the school the Committee
could start another school if they
wish - There must be room for two
girls schools in Mysapur.

15-12-4
27



A draft is submitted for approval.

T.A. 4.1.12 R.S. 4.1.12.

Final may like to see before issue
7.11.12

Sl. no. 2938-1
8.1.12

Levt 7/6



CURRENT NO.
0125
FINANCIAL

R/S 8/12

Financial Department

The file may be perused
and returned to Educational.

2. If it is decided ultimately that
the Govt. should take over the Hindu
Girls' School, Mylapore, the financial
liability involved will amount to
Rs. 16,000 besides any expenditure that
may be necessary for the reorgani-
-zation of the staff. A note may
be made in the Claims Register of
the proposal.

S.O.S. We once agreed to take over
12.1.12. the Mylapore school, I think, it was
in connection with the reorganization of
the Presidency Training School for Hindu

* Initial expenditure

* recurring expenditure

Financial Department.

Letter R.cl. 21 d. 29-7-08
on p. 2 of G.O. 417 Edl.
d. 15-7-09.

P

Letter Ref. on e.No.
7688 d. 16-12-08 on
pages 3 & 4 G.O. ibid.

P

Para 3 of G.O. 417 Edl.
d. 15-7-09.

P

* Note: There is a Secondary girls
school attached to the
Presidency Training School
for mistresses

Para 4 of G.O. ibid.

P

Submitted that the position is as follows:-

2. In ^{connection} ~~contamination~~ with the question of starting

an Upper secondary school for caste girls in Madras as
a Govt. school, the D.P.I. recommended in 1908, first
the opening of such a school in Triplicane, but sub-
sequently stated that the opening of a Govt. school
either in Triplicane or Mylapore would interfere with
one or more of the existing girls schools in those
localities. He, at the same time, at the instance of
the Inspectress of Girls schools, Central Circle,
suggested that the Hindu girls school at Mylapore
might be taken over for the purpose under certain
conditions. But as it was then in contemplation to
reorganize and strengthen the Presidency Training
schools for Mistresses, Egmore, which was then open to
all classes and largely attended by the children of
the higher castes, the Govt came to the conclusion
that ^{either of} the proposals viz of establishing a caste girls
school in Madras or of taking over the Hindu girls school
at Mylapore was not practicable. The Govt. then asked
the D.P.I. to submit his proposals for the reorgani-
zation of the Presidency Training School for Mistresses,
Egmore.

Egmore.

3. In submitting these proposals regarding the reorganization of the Presidency Training School for Mistresses, Egmore, the D.P.I. proposed that

"the Tamil training section (of the Presidency Training school) be transferred together with its practising section to Mylapore but still remain under the supervision of the Supdt. at Egmore."

He also suggested that the school might be held in rented buildings until Govt. buildings could be provided for them and that, if possible, one of the important girls schools at Mylapore might be taken over by Govt. to serve as a model school to the Tamil Training school.

4. The Govt. thereupon enquired whether there was in existence then at Mylapore any school under private management which could be taken over and organized as the practising section of the Tamil section of the Training school.

5. The Director reported that the Committee of Hindu Girl School, Mylapore, was willing to hand over the school to Govt. on certain conditions, ~~but~~ and ^{stated} that the conditions imposed by them could not be fulfilled consistently with the policy followed by Govt. in the management of their schools. He ~~was~~ consequently

Para 4 of D.P.I.'s letter
Ref. on C.3100 dated
27-5-10 on page 3 of G.O.
476 Edl. dated 15-7-11.
(vide at E) Flag O

Training Section
(with practising section)

Para 1 (b) of memo 1153-2
Edl. d. 27-5-10 on p. 17
of G.O. 476 Edl. 15-7-11.

Flag O

Para 2 of D.P.I.'s letter
Ref. on C. 3100, 24-12-10
on page 18 of G.O. 476
Edl. d. 15-7-11.

(vide at P) Flag O

consequently did not recommend to Govt. the taking over of the school. He, however, recommended ~~then the~~ ^(of the training section referred to above) transfer to George Town to be located in the Govt. Panchama Training School in ~~George Town~~ ^{that locality.} The Govt. finally approved of the transfer but decided that ^{the arrangement for} its location in the proposed building in George Town need not necessarily be permanent.

6. In the present letter the D.P.I. states that the Panchama Training School building ⁱⁿ George Town referred to above is most ill suited for the Tamil section of the Presidency Training school for Mistresses at Egmore and has ^{also referred to the question of} ~~been considered for~~ taking over the Hindu girls school, Mylapore for the purpose. The decision so far arrived at is to take over the latter school if the D.P.I. can arrange for the unconditional transfer of the school on payment of its full value.

7. It will be seen from the above that the proposal to take over the Hindu girls school, Mylapore, was abandoned twice. The present is, it is submitted, the first occasion in which the Govt. are proposing to make some definite announcement as to the taking over of the ~~Madrass State~~ School, ~~Mylapore~~.

^{for} 24.1.12. Maybe perused & returned to Ed. H. S. 25/1 C. N. 25.1.12.

Note - The D.P.I. had then recommended the closure of the Panchama Training School, George Town. Vide at M. on p. 18 of No. 476 Edl. 15-7-11.

Para 2 (b) of G.O. No. 476 Edl. dated 15-7-11.

Letter No. 3100, 23-11-11 on pp. 1-3 of C.F.

Vide Draft order put up.

Vide para 2 and 5 ante.



Encl. - No. 125-1

29-1-12

Issue & 30.1.12

C.S.

to Edl.

207-108

Papers to be read in Proceedings:—

Again G.O., No. 476²⁴, dated 15 - 7 - 1911.

Again G.O., No. , dated 19 .

Current No. 2938 of 1911, dated 23-11-11, from the D.P.I. Memo 3100/08.

" " " 19 " " "

" " " 19 " " "

ORDER.

W.H.

The Govt. ~~do not~~ ^{cannot} agree to take over the Hindu Girls' School at Mylapore on the terms proposed by ^{the} ~~its~~ Committee of management. If the D.P.I. ^{however} ~~for the unconditional~~ can arrange to get the school transferred ^{of the school} ~~to Govt.~~ on payment of its ^{full} ~~value~~, ^{to make a suitable} ~~for use as a model~~ school in connection with the Tamil training section of the Presidency training school for mistresses, ~~he may address~~ Govt. again.

and proposals may be submitted to that end. With the purchase money the Committee should be able to establish a new school if they so desire. There is doubtless scope for two girls' schools in Mylapore.

The D.P.I. ^{sent} 31-1-12

^{7.8} ^{RS}
4-1-12 4.1.12.

^{LD}
1.12

copying

191

DATED

No.

A A A A A A A

BEING MEANT FOR DESPATCH

a full.
be copied.
abstract only.
leading only.