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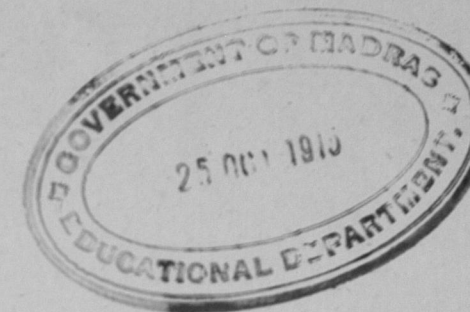
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[Despatch Abstract.]

*Leg. Council*

Recording notes relating to  
the question asked at the  
meeting of the ——— held on the  
23rd Nov 1915 regarding oil  
pressing experiments

**VERY URGENT.**



QUESTION.—No. 69

for the meeting of the Legislative

Council to be held on the 23-11-1915.

SUBMITTED that two copies of this Question may be forwarded to the Educational Department with reference to Nos. (1) and (4) of the rules regulating Secretariat procedure in dealing with these Questions in the Legislative Council. Orders regarding admission will be communicated in due course.

C. S. A.

25.10.15

To  
The Educational Dept u.o with Q. 69.

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Legislative Department.

The Honourable Rao Bahadur A. Subbarayalu Reddiyar.

Educational Department.

69. With reference to the answer to question 87 asked by me at the ~~the~~ meeting will the Government be pleased to state if the three mills referred to therein have been working, and if so, the results of the investigation made by the Director of Industries regarding the possibilities of extracting oil in Southern India for purposes of export?

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25<sup>th</sup> May 1915

of the 25<sup>th</sup> May  
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(alteration made  
in the admission  
of the question)

Govt Department.

The Govt sanctioned the purchase of an Anderson oil expeller last year for the Department of Industries. At the beginning of this year, when the Director was asked to undertake oil pressing experiments, the Govt sanctioned the purchase of two more expellers + also one large oil mill. In his report on the position of the groundnut trade, dated the 24<sup>th</sup> June 1915, the Director stated that the plant ordered last year had been obtained + was working <sup>and that another</sup> ~~one~~ had also been purchased + erected at Buddalore. The third ~~one~~ expeller could not be bought as there was no such machinery available on the market. From the Director's <sup>present</sup> letter on the A.G.'s object regarding the payment of advance for the oil machinery, it appears that the large oil mill had not yet arrived owing to the fact that the ~~order~~ manufacturing firm in the United Kingdom <sup>having been</sup> taken over by the munitions dept was not able to <sup>comply with</sup> ~~execute~~ orders promptly.

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promptly. Unless all the mills are obtained & put into working order for some time, it may not be possible to have express any opinion regarding the possibility of extracting oil in Southern India for purposes of export. The following draft answer is submitted for approval.

*Answer* to the dislocation of Trade ~~is~~ due to the war, all the mills have not yet arrived & it has not therefore been possible to make <sup>(the desired)</sup> investigations in regard to the possibility of expressing oil for purposes of export.

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28.10.15

CA will the Director of Industries please suggest a draft answer, giving as much information as is at present available on both branches of the question?

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Director of Industries

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The attention of the Hon'ble Member is drawn to para. 2 of the report by the Director of Industries printed with G.O. No 844. Rs. 85.8.15 placed on the E.T. As stated therein

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On the 13th of last year proposals were submitted to Government for the purchase of oil machinery. In these proposals it was pointed out the two alternative policies <sup>could</sup> be followed viz a Protective Policy having for its object merely the crushing of oil so as to prevent deterioration of the seed <sup>which</sup> of the seed for the market had temporarily vanished, and a progressive policy having for its object the production of oil for export.

Government ultimately sanctioned the purchase of 3 mills, 2 being of the Expeller type, and being of use merely for Protective purposes, and one large oil mill of the cage type with which it was intended to <sup>Europe</sup> try and place refined oil on the market.

Orders were received on the 13th of February, and the large plant was ordered within 10 days. One of the small plants was immediately got to work and the other one ordered. There was unfortunately some delay in delivery <sup>as</sup> ~~as~~ <sup>the</sup> ~~the~~ as no machine was in stock in India at the time, but when received it was sent to Pondicherry and erected there.

Meantime however the price of groundnuts had again risen to normal level (making an allowance for increased freight charges) and ryots showed no anxiety whatever in the South Arcot District to avail themselves of the facilities offered. The second expeller is accordingly now being removed and will be sold, as I do not require two expellers for experimental purposes in the department. I am making arrangements to find a purchaser to take it over.

The first expeller was continuously at work until a couple of months back, when for the reasons already stated

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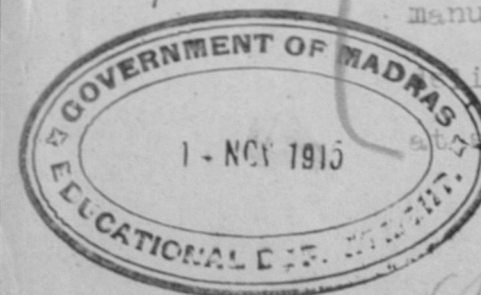
AS I have explained, neither of the expellers were intended to furnish data regarding possibilities of export. All that we purchased them for was to relieve <sup>a</sup> situation which promised <sup>a</sup> to become critical. The critical period is now over and whilst one machine is being retained for experimental purposes, the other will be disposed of in due course.

AS regards the larger plant, I have been unable to <sup>get to</sup> ~~start~~ work for the reason that the supplying firm, although on the contract to deliver within 3 months, have not yet given complete delivery. ~~and~~ I am unable to enforce the terms of the contract as the firm has been taken over by the War Office and <sup>are</sup> guaranteed by them against claims for delays in supply.

Half the machinery is however now at <sup>site</sup> ~~sight~~ and construction work has been undertaken. I am in constant communication with the India Office regarding delivery and I understand they will be able to secure despatch of the balance of the order within a comparatively short period. I suggest the following <sup>draft</sup> ~~answer~~ <sup>to</sup> the 3 mills sanctioned by Government, <sup>two were</sup> ~~but we~~ intended merely to relieve the situation caused by the temporary closure of the Marseilles' market. The oil produced was not intended for export but merely for local sale.

The third mill <sup>of a different type</sup> was intended to prepare oil suitable for export to Europe. The attention of the Hon'ble <sup>and</sup> member is drawn to para 2 of the notes by the Director of Industries printed with G.O. No. 844 Educational, dated 5-8-15, and placed on the Editor's Table. As stated therein, owing to the manufacturer's works having been taken over by the War Office, delivery has not yet been completed, but half the machinery is <sup>at</sup> ~~at~~ <sup>site</sup> and the other half is expected shortly.

Notes in CR (2)  
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Oil Department

Submitted for orders whether the draft answer suggested by the Director of Industries may be accepted.

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H. E. The Governor.

Draft reply approved: but might it not be improved?

The net result is that so far no light has been yet thrown on "the possibilities of extracting oil for purposes of export", is it not? The two expellers were not intended to, or capable of doing this?

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4.11.15.

A revised draft is submitted below-

Two mills have been working, but they were not intended to make or capable of making anything but oil for local consumption. The mill which was ordered for the purpose of making oil suitable for export has not (yet) been received. No light has therefore been

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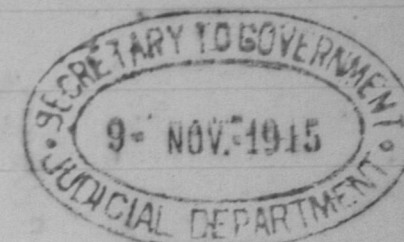
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The final form of the question &  
answer was as below:—

Experiments  
regarding oil  
pressing  
industries.

89 Q.—With reference to the answer to question 87 asked by me at the meeting of the 25th May 1915, will the Government be pleased to state if the three mills referred to therein have been working, and if so, the results of the investigation made by the Director of Industries regarding the possibilities of extracting oil in Southern India for purposes of export?

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The papers may, it is submitted,

'Recorded.'

Order No. 139193 dated 10-12-15  
Min.

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