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G.O. No. 572 etc.

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[Despatch Abstract.]

Training of Indian women - Recording letter from the Government of India forwarding a copy of their correspondence with the Secretary of State on the question of the payment of an annual grant to the Indian Women's Educational Association, London, for the training of Indian women in England.

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Simla, the 11th May 1915.

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A copy of the undermentioned papers is forwarded to the Government of M a d r a s for information, with reference to the correspondence ending with their letter no.747, dated the 25th June 1914.

By order,

Asst. Secretary to the Government of India.

1. Despatch to the Secretary of State no.2-Edn., dated the 28th January 1915. / *page 243*
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2. Despatch from the Secretary of State, no.2-Public (Students), dated the 26th March 1915.

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No. 2 of 1915.

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA.

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION.

EDUCATION.

To

THE MOST HONOURABLE THE MARQUESS OF CREWE, K. G.,
His Majesty's Secretary of State for India.

Delhi, the 28th January 1915.

MY LORD MARQUESS,

WE have the honour to reply to your Lordship's despatch Public no. 23, dated the 30th January 1914, with which was enclosed a copy of a letter from Lady Muir-Mackenzie, President of the Indian Women's Education Association.

2. The correspondence, which we now enclose, embodies the views of the Local Governments and Administrations regarding the scheme put forward by the Association. The proposal comprises two alternatives:—

- (i) that Government should give an annual grant of £350 a year to the Association to enable it to select and train two Indian women at a time; and
- (ii) that Government should select candidates and pay their passages and scholarships, placing them under the supervision of the Association.

The weight of opinion is against the first alternative. But the Governments of Bombay and Bihar and Orissa and the Chief Commissioner of the Central Provinces favour the second alternative under certain conditions. Three of the minor Administrations refrain from expressing any definite opinion.

3. Thus opinion is not generally in favour of either alternative. The objections raised are the insufficiency of suitable candidates and the hesitation which parents are likely to show in permitting their daughters to go to England, the need of spending money upon the training institutions in India which already exist up to a satisfactory standard in some provinces but are capable of further development, the unsuitability of a training in England for work which will subsequently be pursued in India, and the necessity for maintaining an effective control over scholars who are provided with Government stipends.

4. In these circumstances we are constrained to think that the scheme put forward by the Association is somewhat premature and that the resources of Government must for the most part be utilized in improving the training institutions in India which will be able to deal with a larger number of pupils and instruct them in a manner which will in no sense unfit them for their future environment. At the same time we consider that cases will occasionally arise where the bestowal of a scholarship tenable in England will

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be of value to a candidate of particular suitability. We observe that the Lieutenant-Governor in Council of Bihar and Orissa proposes to send a lady scholar to England once in two years; and, provided that really eligible candidates present themselves, we regard his proposal as commendable. It is possible that we may shortly address your Lordship regarding the institution of a similar State scholarship for Indian women for training in medicine or teaching. The matter is under consideration.

5. At the same time we desire to express our entire sympathy with the aims which the Association has set before itself in this matter of the improvement of the education of Indian women. We observe that the Government of Bengal consider that the Association could render assistance to Indian girls in England not so much in the supervision of their training as in helping them to overcome the numerous difficulties which arise out of their unfamiliarity with English life and customs. Similarly the Chief Commissioner of the Central Provinces considers that the Association could assist by undertaking the guardianship of the scholars and keeping in touch with their parents. We think that if your Lordship can make suitable arrangements with the Association it might be a suitable agency for the general supervision in the matter of the residence, social matters, etc., of such Indian women students in England as are not already under satisfactory guardianship. Furthermore, we see no objection to those Local Governments which are willing to accept the second alternative being permitted to make use of the Association for still wider supervision of the work and welfare of such scholars as they may from time to time send to England for instruction in teaching. If your Lordship agrees with our views in this latter respect we shall communicate to the Local Governments concerned the fact that they are at liberty to place their own nominated scholars under the general supervision of the Indian Women's Education Association.

We have the honour to be,

MY LORD MARQUESS,

Your Lordship's most obedient, humble servants,

~~HARDINGE OF PENSHURST.~~

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LIST OF ENCLOSURES.

1. Letter to Local Governments and Administrations, no. 444-455, dated the 18th March 1914.
2. Letter from the Government of Madras, no. 747-Edl. Mis., dated the 25th June 1914.
3. Letter from the Government of Bombay, no. 2066, dated the 2nd July 1914.
4. Letter from the Government of Bengal, no. 488-T. G., dated the 30th October 1914.
5. Letter from the Government of the United Provinces, no. 979, dated the 18th May 1914.
6. Letter from the Government of the Punjab, no. 165, dated the 24th April 1914.
7. Letter from the Government of Burma, no. 1378-M. 14-E.-42, dated the 27th May 1914, and enclosure.
8. Letter from the Government of Bihar and Orissa, no. 1143-E., dated the 25th May 1914.
9. Letter from the Chief Commissioner of the Central Provinces, no. 814-VI-1-26, dated the 5th August 1914.
10. Letter from the Chief Commissioner of Assam, no. 1500-E., dated the 17th April 1914, and enclosure.
11. Letter from the Chief Commissioner of Coorg, no. 1065, dated the 20th April 1914.
12. Letter from the Chief Commissioner, North-West Frontier Province, no. 1023-G., dated the 22nd April 1914.
13. Letter from the Chief Commissioner of Delhi, no. 2313-Edn., dated the 3rd April 1914.

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GOVERNMENT OF INDIA.
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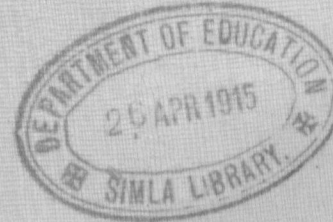
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LETTER TO HIS MAJESTY'S SECRETARY OF STATE
FOR INDIA.

SUBJECT.

Request of the Indian Women's Education
Association for the grant of some pecuniary
assistance towards the training of Indian women
in England.

S. G. P. I., Delhi - 759 D. of E. - 21-1-15-43



India Office, London,
26th March 1915.

Public (Students),
No. 2.

To His Excellency the Right Honourable the Governor
General of India in Council.

MY LORD,

I am in receipt of your despatch of the 28th January (Education,
No. 2 of 1915), and I note that Your
Indian Women's Education Association. Excellency's Government does not recom-
mend an annual grant to the Indian

Women's Education Association.

2. I agree with Your Excellency's Government that the Association
could best render assistance by advising Indian women students in England
in regard to residence and social customs. But I doubt whether it would
be advisable for Local Governments to invite the Association to superintend
the education of scholars or to undertake their guardianship in this
country.

3. I think it preferable that all scholars selected by Government
should continue to be under the general direction of the Students' Department,
and should be advised in regard to their studies as heretofore by that
Department, in consultation, when necessary, with the Board of Education
and other educational institutions here. But the Students Department
will take every opportunity that offers, in the case of women scholars, of
introducing them to the Indian Women's Education Association, and of
enabling them to profit by any assistance that the Association can give.

I have the honour to be,

My Lord,

Your Lordship's most obedient humble Servant,

(Signed) CREWE.

OFFICE NOTE.

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Re: the request of the Indian
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