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[Despatch Abstract.]

Resolution.

Recording letter from the President, Trichinopoly Teachers Association, forwarding a copy of the resolutions passed at the Trichinopoly District Educational Conference held in March 1916 and a copy of the ~~xxx~~ recommendations of the Trichinopoly Teachers' Conference of April 1915, regarding the Secondary School Leaving Certificate, scheme.

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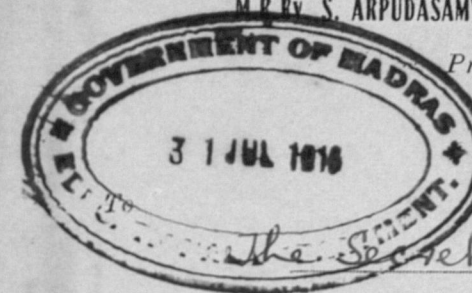
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16th July 1916.

From

M. P. R. S. ARPUDASAMY UDAYAR AVI., B.A., L.T.,

President,

Trichinopoly Teachers' Association.



The Secretary to the Government of
Madras
Educational Department
Fort St. George, Madras

Sir,

I have the honour to submit herewith a copy of the resolutions passed at the Trichinopoly District Educational Conference held in March 1916, under the auspices of the above Association, and also a copy of the recommendations of Trichinopoly Teachers' Conference of April 1915, in regard to Secondary School Leaving Certificate scheme, and request you, on behalf of the above Association, to be so good as to give your sympathetic support to the resolutions contained therein, and to see your way to giving practical effect to the same.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

S. Arpudasamudaran
President.

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**Recommendations of the Trichinopoly Teachers' Conference
of April 1915
in regard to the Secondary School-Leaving Certificate Scheme.**

At the Educational Conference held on the 24th April, 1915, in Trichinopoly under the auspices of the Trichinopoly Teachers' Association, a paper on the "School Final Scheme in Secondary Schools" was read by Mr. M. M. Balakrishna Aiyar of the Board High School, Kulitalai, and in the discussion which followed the reading of the paper, it was generally agreed that the School Final Scheme, as worked at present, was not quite satisfactory for the following reasons:—

1. The subjects of the B Group were neglected.
2. Sufficient importance was not attached to the study of Vernacular.
3. The grouping of subjects required a rearrangement.
4. Specialisation began too early.
5. Marking took up much of the teachers' time, which was, after all, neither uniform nor quite reliable.
6. The season at which the examination was held, was unsuitable for intellectual work, the weather being very hot at that part of the year.

The Conference, therefore, felt that some recommendations should be sent to the Government as well as to the S. S. L. C. Board, and passed the following resolution:—

Resolved that the following gentlemen do form themselves into a Committee to consider the working of the S. S. L. C. Scheme and submit proposals to Government and the Department *re* the rearrangement of subjects in the three groups, the adequate representation of experienced Headmasters and Assistant Masters in the controlling and examining boards, the relaxations of the rules of admissions to Colleges for average students by alternative percentages and total number of marks, the desirability of maintaining the supplementary course as it is and the change of the dates of examination:—

Messrs. S. K. Devasikhamani, B.A., L.T., (Convener), G. Sesha Aiyangar, M. C. Rajagopala Naidu, B.A., L.T., G. Vaidyanatha Aiyer, B.A., L.T., T. V. Swaminatha Aiyer, B.A., L.T., S. S. Vyasa Rao, B.A., L.T., M. M. Balakrishniar.

The Sub-Committee met in the afternoon of the following day in the National High School, Trichinopoly with Mr. S. K. Devasikhamani in the chair and resolved unanimously on the following recommendations:—

I. (a) That, in the IV and V Forms, the following five subjects be taught according to the outlines of a syllabus drawn up by the S. S. L. C. Board to be worked in detail by the Headmasters of High Schools to suit local conditions and requirements:—

1. English.
2. A Second Language—Vernacular or Classical.
3. Elementary Mathematics.
4. History (England and India) and Geography.
5. Elementary Science.

(b) That, in the VI Form, subjects 3, 4 and 5 be dropped and in their place *any one* of the following groups of optional subjects be studied along with English and a Second Language:—

1. (a) Algebra and Geometry. (b) Physics and Chemistry.
2. (a) Botany. (b) Physics and Chemistry.
3. (a) History of England. (b) History of India.

4. Any two of the following groups of Commercial subjects, i.e., a & b or a & c, and so on.

(a) Book-keeping and Commercial Arithmetic.

(b) Commercial Practice and Geography.

(c) Typewriting and Shorthand.

(d) Indexing and Precis-writing.

N.B.—1. The above arrangement of optional groups is intended to suit the grouping of subjects in the Intermediate and it is expected that there should be a considerable reduction in the extent and intensity of the present syllabus so that students in the Intermediate course may begin where they had stopped in the Sixth Form.

2. It also provides for a student who wants to enter life after the school course is over.

3. It also allows specialisation to begin in the VI Form which may in a way be regarded as a preparatory class for the Junior Intermediate.

4. It of course implies that satisfactory progress in subjects 3, 4 and 5 in the IV and V Forms is insisted on before granting promotions to boys.

II. That a public examination be held only in the following subjects once a year at the end of the VI Form course:—

1. English.

2. Second Language (Text, Translation and Composition).

3. Subjects in any one of the Groups mentioned in I (b).

III. (a) That the strength of the S. S. L. C. Board be increased to twelve and

(b) that not less than a third of the strength of the Board be chosen from among experienced Headmasters of the High Schools in the Presidency.

(c) That the selection of Assistant Examiners be confined only to those that are actually engaged in teaching High School Classes.

VI. That the Public Examination be held, not in March as at present, which is most unsuitable by reason of its heat, but in the month of November beginning on the last Monday of that month.

T. V. SWAMINATHA IYER.

G. SETHA IYENGAR.

G. VAIDYANATHA IYER.

M. C. RAJAGOPALA NAIDU.

M. N. BALAKRISHNA IYER.

S. S. VYASA RAO.

S. K. DEVASIKHAMANI, (Chairman).

26th April 1915.



Resolutions passed at the Trichinopoly District Educational Conference held in March 1916.

Resolution I.—This conference respectfully recommends that, with a view to make education really efficient in this country, provision be made for raising the status of the teaching profession by adopting the following recommendations among other means:—(a) provision for a Pension Provident and Insurance Funds managed or controlled by Government for the benefit of teachers in all recognised institutions (b) increase of the teachers' pay on fixed and ear-marked salary grant systems and by the introduction of a fixed scale of salary in all recognised schools; (c) special privileges be conferred on teachers such as exemption from profession tax, formation of electorates composed of teachers within the respective areas to return a member to a Municipal council, to the District and Taluq Boards; (d) conferring by government of titles of honour and distinctions on teachers or grant of jagirs to the same for long and meritorious services.

Resolution II.—This conference is of opinion that the use of English as the medium of imparting instruction in Indian schools is a great disadvantage in the matter of the acquisition of real and useful knowledge and retards the diffusion of the same among the people at large; and that therefore the vernaculars should be gradually made the media of instruction in non-language subjects in Secondary Schools, English continuing to be taught as a compulsory subject. That this resolution be communicated to the Director of Public Instruction and also to the Headmasters and Managers of all Secondary Schools.

Resolution III.—That in the opinion of this conference it is high time for government to appoint Medical Inspectors who will periodically visit schools with a view to examine the sanitary and hygienic conditions of school and to advise as to how the children receiving instruction be made physically fit to do so.

Resolution IV.—That in the opinion of this conference, the results of the Ootacamund conference convened by government to fix the maximum of salary for clerks in the different branches of Public Service should be extended to the Urban and Rural Primary Teachers.

Resolution V.—This conference requests the Director of Public Instruction and the University of Madras to allow *bonafide* teachers to apply in private for all the University Examinations as in Bengal, The United Provinces, The Punjab and other provinces and thus gradually to increase their general educational qualifications.

Done 8/27/15
9.11.13

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12.8.16

Letter to,
the President,
Trichinopoly Teachers' Association

Sir,

I am directed to acknowledge
the receipt of your letter of the 16th
July 1916 forwarding a copy of the
resolutions passed at the Trichinopoly
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March 1916 and also a copy of the
recommendations of the Trichinopoly
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