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G.O. No. 254

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[Despatch Abstract.]

Legislative Council question.

Recording papers relating to question No.23 asked by the Honourable Mr. K. Sadasiva Bhat at the meeting of the Legislative Council held on the 6th February 1917 and the answer given thereto, regarding instruction in agriculture in higher elementary training schools.

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L.M. (LEGISLATIVE) DEPARTMENT.

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QUESTION.—No. 17

for the meeting of the Legislative

Council to be held on the 6th February 1917.

SUBMITTED that two copies of this Question may be forwarded to the
Home (Education) 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.

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Leg. U.O. No. 67-1 dated 15. 1. 17

To

The *Home (Education)* Department. with Q. no. 17



The Honourable Mr. K. Sadasiva Bhat. 3

Home (Education) Department.

Q.17 (a) Will the Government be pleased to state how many higher elementary training schools have agricultural instructors attached to them?

(b) Will the Government be pleased to ascertain and state (i) whether these instructors are actually teaching agriculture (ii) whether there is any syllabus or curriculum prescribed ^{and} ~~are~~ in force at present and (iii) in how many of these ^{higher} ~~high~~ elementary training schools agriculture is taught even as an optional subject?

Clause (a).--There are ten permanent higher elementary training schools in the Presidency maintained by the Government. All these have agricultural instructors. There are also temporary higher elementary training schools at Madras, Berhampur, Tanjore and Ellore and a temporary higher elementary training class in the Government Muhammadan training school at Madras. None of these has an instructor. No information is available as regards the aided higher elementary schools of which there were 15 on the 31st March 1916.

2. Clause (b).--(i) The instructors are expected to impart instruction mainly in 'nature study', it having been held that the formal teaching of 'agriculture' in primary schools is objectionable. It is not known what exactly the instructors are teaching now. The Director of Public Instruction may be requested to furnish information on this point.

(ii) In the scheme of work in training schools there are syllabuses prescribed both for 'nature study' as well as for 'agriculture' which it is stated may be taught as an additional subject in

Proposition statement with G.O. No. 1066 Edl., dated the 3rd December 1912. (B)

Para.5 of India's Despatch on page 3 of G.O.No.1066 Edl., dated the 3-12-12. (B)

Para.8 of Dr.Bourne's note on page 3 of notes to G.O. ibid.

Pages 21 & 22 and 27-28 of Scheme of work.

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higher elementary training schools.

(iii) There is no information here as to how many of the higher elementary training schools teach agriculture as an optional subject. The Director of Public Instruction may be requested to furnish information on this point also.

3. It will take time to collect the particulars required. The following draft answer is submitted for approval:—

Answer.

17. (a) Instructors are employed in the ten permanent higher elementary training schools maintained by the Government, but not in any of the five temporary schools. The Government have no information as regards aided institutions.

(b) A syllabus of studies in 'Advanced agriculture' is given on pages 27 and 28 of the "Scheme of work in training schools" published by the department. The Government will call for the other particulars required and furnish them to the Honourable Member if he will repeat his question at a

subsequent meeting.

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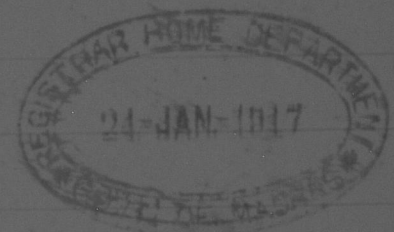
clause (a) of the question. The answer
proposed is all right.

- clause (b). 1. The Agricultural instructors
employed in the Higher Elementary
Training Schools are now teaching
a portion of the Agricultural Syllabus
dealing with (1) fertility of the soil (2)
the soil its constituents (3) Botany.
2. The Syllabus in Agriculture &
Nature Study are under revision.
3. Agriculture is taught in all the
Higher Elementary Schools as an
additional subject to such of the students

as do not bring up English as an additional subject.

If the Hon. Member repeats his question at a subsequent meeting further information could be given as to the syllabus if so desired.

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Home (Education) Department.

The following revised draft answer is submitted for approval:—

Answer.

17. (a) Instructors are employed in the ten permanent higher elementary training schools maintained by the Government, but not in any of the five temporary schools. The Government have no information as regards aided institutions.

(b) (i) The ~~instructors~~ instructors are now teaching a portion of the agricultural syllabus dealing with fertility of the soil, the soil and its constituents, and botany.

(ii) A syllabus of studies in "Advanced agriculture" is given on

pages 27 and 28 of the "Scheme of work in training schools" published by the department. The syllabus is now under revision.

(iii) Agriculture is taught in all the higher elementary schools as an additional subject to such of the students as do not bring up English as an additional subject.

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Instruction in agriculture in higher elementary training schools.

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A draft order recording the papers is subd.

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