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[Despatch Abstract.]

Legislative Council.-

Recording notes connected with the question on the
medical inspection of schools asked by the Hon'ble Mr.
A.S. Krishna Rao ^{Pantulu} at the meeting of the ----- held
on the 3rd April 1917.

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22.3.17
L.M. (LEGISLATIVE) DEPARTMENT.

QUESTION.—No. 57

for the meeting of the Legislative

Council to be held on the 2nd April 1917.

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

V.T.K.
21-3-17.

Leg U.O. No. 758-/ dated 22.3.17

To

The Home (Edn) Department. with Q. 57.

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Local and Municipal (Legislative) Department.

The Hon'ble Mr. A.S. Krishna Rao Pantulu:-

Home (Education) Department.

Q. 57.(a) Will the Government be pleased to state whether any and if so, what arrangements have been made for medical inspection of the pupils in the public schools in the Presidency.

(b) Will the Government be pleased to state the amount, if any, spent in 1915-16 and 1916-17 on account of medical inspection of schools.

(c) Will the Government be pleased to state what public schools if any, were inspected by medical officers in 1915-16 and 1916-17 and with what result.

Home (Govt) Department

As a beginning in the matter of the medical inspection of schools and school children the Govt. made arrangements in 1914 for the medical inspection as an experimental measure, of the elementary schools newly opened by the Madras Corporation and of the pupils thereof - Go No. 1104 Sd. 22.9.14. Owing, however, to the scarcity of I.M.S. officers on account of the war, the examination had to be postponed till February 1916 when Lt. Col. Donovan became available. He undertook the work for an honorarium of Rs 200, while the Assistant Surgeon who was specially deputed to assist Lt. Col. Donovan in the work was paid a deputation allowance of one-fifth of his salary and a carriage allowance of Rs 30 a month. They commenced the inspection on the 9th February 1916 and finished it on the 29th idem. Out of a total number of 1717 boys and 310 girls on the rolls they examined only 1201 boys. Lt. Col. Donovan's report was submitted to Govt. in June 1916. As the report was found incomplete in that no stethoscope examination of the chests of the boys was made and the girls were altogether excluded from inspection, the Govt. directed Lt. Col. Donovan to complete the inspection ^{with} the assistance of a competent lady doctor and to submit a further report.

p. 4. of Go No. 22 Sd. 7.1.16. (v)

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para. 2 of Go No. 1104 Sd. 22.9.14. (y)

para. 2 of report on p. 2 of Go No. 945 Home (Govt) 7.9.16. (q)

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report to Government. Lt. Col. Donovan is to be paid an honorarium of Rs.500 for this work. It is not known what remuneration should be paid to the lady doctor, nor whether the examination has been completed and when the final report is likely to be submitted to Government. The expenditure incurred in 1915-16 may be computed as follows:-

Remuneration to Lt.Col.Donovan Rs.200 -0-0

Salary and allowance of Assistant Surgeon C.Ramamurti deputed for the work Rs.138-10-8

Total Rs.338-10-8

It is not known whether any expenditure has been incurred during the current year. ~~The report is not yet submitted.~~

2. It will be seen from para 6 of G.O.No.945

(4) Home (Education), dated the 7th September 1916

that the question of instituting the medical supervision of schools generally on a thorough scale has been deferred till normal financial conditions are restored.

3. The following ~~provisional~~ draft reply is submitted for approval:--

"In 1916 the Government approved a

"proposal to entrust to Lt.Col.Donovan, I.M.S.

"the work of supervising the ~~medical inspection~~ ^{first experiments in this line}

of the inspection of the elementary schools opened by the

"Corporation of Madras and called for a report
"on the results of the inspection. A complete
"report on the subject has not yet been received.
"The expenditure incurred on the inspection of
"the schools in 1915-16 ^{was} ~~is~~ about Rs.339. The
"question of instituting the medical supervision
"of schools generally ~~will be considered~~ ^{normal} has ~~is~~
"been deferred ^{normal} financial conditions are
"restored".

~~Submitted that the file may be forwarded~~

~~to the P.P.I. for remarks.~~

P.R.
23-3-17.

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H.E.

For approval.

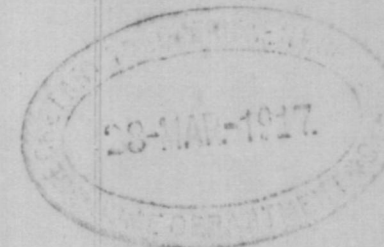
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As above amended

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/ s/ H.E.

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unless the above report
has been considered
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The following is a copy of the question and answer
as given at the meeting of the Legislative Council:

Medical inspection
of pupils
in public
schools.

55 Q.—(a) Will the Government be pleased to state whether any, and if so, what arrangements have been made for medical inspection of the pupils in the public schools in the Presidency?

(b) Will the Government be pleased to state the amount, if any, spent in 1915-16 and 1916-17 on account of medical inspection of schools?

(c) Will the Government be pleased to state what public schools, if any, were inspected by medical officers in 1915-16 and 1916-17 and with what result?

55 A.—In 1916 the Government approved a proposal to entrust to Lieut.-Col. Donovan, I.M.S., the work of supervising the first experiments in this direction, viz., the inspection of the elementary schools opened by the Corporation of Madras, and called for a report on the results of the inspection. A complete report on the subject has not yet been received. The expenditure incurred on the inspection of the schools in 1915-16 was about Rs. 339 and information is not yet available as to the amount spent in 1916-17. The question of instituting the medical supervision of schools generally is deferred until the above report has been considered and normal financial conditions are restored.

Legislative Council

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