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with the Government of India on the subject of writing a \_\_\_\_\_  
as followed in this Presidency.



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No. 40

EDUCATIONAL COMMISSIONER  
WITH THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA

Delhi, 7<sup>th</sup> February 1917.

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Dear Sir,

Would you please refer to your demo-official letter No. 2863-4, dated 4th September 1916, about an Occasional report on Training? The question was further discussed at the recent Conference of Directors.

2. It has now been decided to proceed with the scheme, the more so as the question of training has recently been brought prominently to the front. The system of secondary training in Madras has features which could usefully be made known elsewhere, and I should be glad if the Government of Madras will accede to the proposal that Madras be one of the two contributing provinces and that the contribution deal specially with training institutions for secondary teachers.

It was stated in your letter that it was doubtful whether any suitable officer can be spared till the war is over. It was not however anticipated that it would be found necessary to place any officer on special duty for this object. It was thought that an officer engaged on the work would be able to write the report without difficulty or interference with his ordinary duties.

3. If His Excellency in Council agrees to this suggestion, it might be found possible to permit two persons to collaborate on the report. This would obviate the danger apprehended in some quarters, but possibly exaggerated, that a principal, if selected, would tend to lay stress upon the excellencies while concealing the shortcomings of his own institution. The choice of collaborators would naturally rest with the Government of Madras, though doubtless the Principal of the Teachers' College at Saidapet and the Inspector of Training Institutions (even if not selected) would be able to render assistance.



4. The form of the report which I suggest is (i) a very short sketch of the system pursued in Madras for the training of both secondary and primary institutions, and (ii) a detailed description of an institution for the training of secondary teachers - possibly the Teachers' College. If it was thought desirable, a briefer description of a second typical institution might be added.
5. The form of treatment would naturally be left to the author or authors. I append a list of points, treatment of which should, I think, be included. But the list does not pretend to be exhaustive. I would only suggest that, apart from necessary figures and administrative facts, the description should not be built on the lines usual in official reports, but should deal particularly with the methods of teaching adopted and the system of inculcating them.
6. In the appended list I have included some matters, which would involve an expression of opinion by the author or authors. Perhaps His Excellency in Council will see no objection to this provided it is made clear in the preface that neither the Government of Madras nor the Bureau of Education is responsible for the opinions expressed.
7. The portion of the report emanating from Madras might suitably run to 50 pages of the size usual in the occasional reports and might be sent in in type. But deviation from the length suggested might of course be found necessary.
8. The names of the authors, together with those selected in any other province, would figure on the title page.

Yours sincerely,

*W. S. S. S.*

To

The Secretary to the Government of Madras,  
Home Department (Education)



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1. Some points which might be treated in a description of an institution for the training of secondary teachers.

(i) Qualifications for admission of (a) graduates  
(b) under-graduates, class of degree, etc.:.

(ii) Ease or difficulty experienced in obtaining candidates under each head.

(iii) Proportions of teachers and non-teachers admitted, and, among teachers, of those from different kinds of schools, (publicly or privately managed, etc.:)

(iv) Amount of stipend or allowance.

(v) Nature of bond required.

(vi) Qualifications and pay of members of the staff.

(vii) Sufficiency of the staff to deal with the number of students.

(viii) Nature of the courses, both university and departmental.

(ix) Duration of the course.

(x) Specialisation.

(xi) Methods of teaching adopted and manner of inculcating them, with special reference to such subjects as English, mathematics, history, geography and science (in considerable detail).

(xii) Manual training and drawing.

(xiii) Training in physical instruction.

(xiv) Arrangements for practical training in the model or practising school (in considerable detail).

(xv) Annual cost of a student and cost of producing a trained teacher.

(xvi) Method of examination.

(xvii) Success and failure in the examination.

(xviii) Subsequent careers of trained teachers as regards kind of school at which employment is obtained, salary and special inducements held out to encourage teachers to become trained.

2. Opinions might be expressed in appropriate places on the following points:-

(a) Can graduate and under-graduate teachers profitably be trained together ?

(b) Do teachers or non-teachers form the best material ?

(c) Are the attractions for the encouragement of training sufficient (stipends, enhanced salaries, pension or provident fund conditions, etc.)?

(d) What should be the proportion of pupils to teachers, with reference to personal supervision etc. ?

(e) Is it found necessary to supplement university courses with other subjects of instruction ?

(f) Is the course long enough ? and is it suitable ?

(g) Should practical training synchronise with or succeed theoretical work ?

(h) What is the effect of trained teachers on the schools ?



Home (Edu) Department

Submitted that Mr. Sharp's d.o. may be forwarded to the A.P.G. for remarks on the subject before he proceeds to prepare the report.

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J.P.G.

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Mr. Sharp has addressed another province on the subject but it is not known which province it is and whether it has consented to undertake the duty of preparing the book. If the other province has agreed to the proposal it does not appear that Madras can plead inability on the ground urged in Mr. Stone's note.

note above as that is not peculiar to Madras.  
It is for consideration whether Mr. Sharp may be  
replied to on the lines of Mr. Stone's note on  
the previous page, or whether he may be  
over for a month to gauge the  
effects of the military measures  
to be newly introduced.

26/2/17

The Govt. of India are very keen  
about the question of training of teachers.  
Even under the present exceptional financial  
conditions, they propose to ~~also~~ assign  
Special Imperial grants to Provincial  
Govts. for making further advance  
with ~~the~~ the training of teachers, in the  
budget for 1917-18. To defer the question  
of the preparation of the report may  
not ~~be~~ well received by India.  
We have already accepted the  
proposal; and no Special deputation  
of an officer, relieved from his ordinary  
duties, is contemplated. Officers, who  
are connected with the schools in question  
are to be asked to write the report in  
addition to their usual duties. It is  
for consideration whether the D. P. I.  
may not be asked to recommend.

I think he <sup>should</sup> be

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(Information has been  
received in India  
that 4 lakhs have  
been assigned for  
Madras for training  
in the next years  
budget).

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4th March 1917.

My dear Sharp,

Would you please refer to your d.o. letter No.40 dated 7th February 1917 to the Secretary to the Madras Government, Home Department, (Education) about an Occasional Report on training?

His Excellency has instructed me to let you know that your suggestion as to the manner in which the writing of the report might be provided for will be carefully considered. Its acceptance however will to some extent depend on the demands which their liabilities under the recent Defence of India Act will make on the time of officers to whom the compilation of the report might suitably be entrusted. When that is more definitely known, the question will again be brought under official examination.

Yours sincerely,

T.E. MOIR

The Hon'ble Mr.H.Sharp, C.S.I.,C.I.E.,

Educational Commissioner with the Govt.of India,

Delhi.

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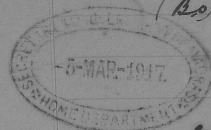
Returned with a copy of a letter  
which under His Excellency's  
instructions I have sent to the

Shop.  
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P.S.G.



Submitted for order whether the file may  
be over for a month as suggested on page 6 amb, the  
D.P.S. may see the papers.

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GOVERNMENT HOUSE,  
OOTACAMUND.

17th April 1917.

My dear Ramachandra Rao,

I am to send you the enclosed letter from the Hon'ble Mr. S. S. S. for addition to the Secretariat file, and to request that the file may be submitted to His Excellency when a decision is possible.

Yours sincerely,

*L. M. S.*

The Hon'ble Diwan Bahadur R. Ramachandra Rao Avl.,  
Secretary to Government,  
Home (Educational) Department,  
Stonehouse Hill.

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D.O.No.218.

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Educational Commissioner with the  
Government of India,  
Simla, the 10th April 1917.

Dear Mr. Moir,



I received your letter of the 4th March regarding the proposed Occasional Report on training of teachers. I should be much obliged if you will let me know when some decision has been arrived at on the question. I understand that in the United Provinces (which was the other province chosen for a description of the training system) a commencement has already been made.

I am,

Yours sincerely,

H. Sharp.

T.E. Moir Esq., I.C.S.,

Private Secretary to H.E. the Governor of Madras.

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Home (EdM) Department

Put up file

R.R. 18-4-17

The file is submitted.

2. Attention is solicited to para. 4 of G.O. no 443 Pub., dated the 18th April 1917 from which it will be seen that all the Educational officers coming within the scope of the Indian Defence Force Act are liable for military service with conditional certificates of exemption to be applied for on their behalf. With reference to para. 5 of the above G.O. this department has recommended the grant of absolute exemption in the case of Messrs R.G. Evans Deputy Director of Public Instruction, and J. W. Coombes, Ag. Superintendent, Reformatory School, Chingleput. (Perhaps Public may be asked

to state the final orders passed in the matter)

By 21.4.17

CR 25/4/17

See

I think this file may go to D.P. (a.o.)  
noo. May 26/4/17.

W.M. Curran, Principal of the School

Where may be asked to do it



27.10.17

The file was sent to Public W.O.M. 20.4.17

Public have decided that no absolute exemption is necessary in the case of educational officers and that conditional certificates will do.

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Attention is directed to para. 3 of Mr. Sharp's D.O. on page 1 supra from which it will be seen that it is desired that two persons should collaborate on the report. The Director has however, proposed only Mr. Duncan of the Teachers' College. It is for consideration whether he may be asked to suggest ~~some~~ the name of another officer ~~about~~ to work in conjunction with Mr. Duncan.

By  
30.4.17.  
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It may be hard to find another officer. The D.P.D. has apparently been at some

pains to nominate one. Probably Mr. Duncan will do. The difficulty anticipated by the Govt of India may probably be overcome if the D.P.D. looks through the report Mr. Duncan prepares.

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2-5-17

To P.S.G. for perusal & return.  
I shall <sup>ask</sup> ~~request~~ the D.P.D. to nominate another officer to collaborate on the report.

See my marginal note above.

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Mr. Sharp  
himself suggests  
the D.P.D. as  
a possible candidate  
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To. Especially during  
the present shortage  
of officers.  
Reply accordingly.



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GOVERNMENT HOUSE,  
OOTACAMUND.

2nd May 1917.

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My dear Ramachandra Rao,

Please refer to my letter of the 17th April regarding the proposed Occasional Report on training of teachers. Will you kindly let me know whether a decision on the question is now possible?

yours sincerely,

*E. C. M. S.*

The Hon'ble Diwan Bahadur

R. Ramachandra Rao A.V.L.,

Secretary to Government Home (Educational) Dept.

Stonehouse Hill,

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Draft d. o. to Mr. Sharp and the D.P. are submitted for approval.

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Lone (Ed.) Dept

Do. No. 679 A-49 10-5-17

Dear Mr. Stone,

With reference to your unofficial note no 11 of the 27<sup>th</sup> ult.

I am desired to say that the Govt. approve your proposal to entrust to Mr. Duncan the work of writing a ~~document~~ <sup>secondary</sup> report on the training of ~~teachers~~ <sup>in the process</sup> & kindly issue the necessary instructions to Mr. Duncan and arrange for the transmission of the ~~report~~ <sup>report in brief to</sup> the Educational Commissioner with the Govt. of India. A copy of Mr. Shap's d.o. on the subject is enclosed.

2. I am to ~~draw~~ <sup>summarize</sup> your attention to para. 3 of Mr. Shap's d.o. in which it is suggested that two persons ~~should~~ <sup>should</sup> collaborate on the report. In view of the present shortage of officers it ~~is~~ <sup>is not</sup> possible to select another suitable officer for the purpose. In order, however, to ~~avoid the delay~~ <sup>expedite the work</sup> ~~in the preparation of the report~~ <sup>in the preparation of the report</sup> the Govt. of India, I am to ask you to look through the report before it is transmitted to the Educational Commissioner.

Yours sincerely

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To the Hon. Mr. J. H. Stone M.A., I.C.F.R.H.

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