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- (ii) the students of the College admitted to the hostel are exempted from payment of rent.

(True extract)

R. RAMACHANDRA RAO,
Secretary to Government.

To the Director of Public Instruction.
" Accountant-General (through Fin aical).
" Financial Department.
" Public Works Department. } Order only.

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