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UNIVERSITY OF MADRAS

No. 1902

SENATE HOUSE, 11 8 MAR 1919

FROM

FRANCIS DEWSBURY, Esq., B.A., LL.B.,

Registrar, University of Madras,

To

The Secretary to Government,

Home (Education) Department.

Sir,

I have the honour, by direction of the Syndicate, to submit, under Regulation 5(d) of Chapter XIV of the revised Regulations, for disposal by H. E. the Governor in Council the accompanying application from the Director of Public Instruction, Madras, for the affiliation of the Madrasa-i-Azam, Mount Road, in Group iii (Histories, Logic, Persian, Urdu and Arabic) of the Intermediate Courses together with copies of the proceedings of the Syndicate and the Senate on the subject, and of the report submitted by the Syndicate to the Senate.

At its meeting held on the 7th March 1919 the Senate recorded its opinion that the affiliation may be granted by the Government.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

Francis Dewsbury
Registrar.

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University of Madras

Report of the Syndicate upon the application from the Director of Public Instruction, Madras, for the affiliation of the Madrasa-i-Azam, Mount Road, in Group iii (Histories, Logic, Persian, Urdu and Arabic) of the Intermediate courses.

The Syndicate reports the following correspondence relative to this application.

Letter, No. 9167 of 1918, dated November 23, 1918, from the Director of Public Instruction, Madras, to the Registrar, University of Madras.

Government having sanctioned the proposal to open college classes for the benefit of Muhammadan students in the Madrasa-i-Azam, Madras, I have the honour to forward with reference to Regulation No. 374 of the University Regulations, an application from the Principal of the Government Muhammadan College, Mount Road, for the affiliation of that institution in Group iii of the Intermediate course the subjects taught being History, Logic, Persian, Urdu and Arabic.

2. The Junior and Senior Intermediate classes were opened in the college on July 15 last, with eleven and eight students respectively and steps have already been taken to strengthen the staff by the following appointments:—

- (a) A temporary Lecturer in English (A European) who is an officer in the Indian Educational Service, on Rs 650—50—700. He took first class Honours in classics at Edinburgh University and a first class in Honours moderations at Oxford University.
- (b) A lecturer in History on Rs. 200. He is a trained first class History Honours Graduate of the Madras University, a L.T. and was previously a Lecturer in the American College, Madura. He is an Anglo-Indian.
- (c) A lecturer in Philosophy on Rs. 125. He is a Muhammadan Philosophy Honours Graduate and a L.T. of this University.
- (d) A lecturer in Arabic, Persian, and Urdu, on Rs. 200. He took a first class degree in B.A. (Honours) in M.A. examinations Arabic and Oriental Titles examinations of the Punjab University; and was previously Professor of Arabic, Urdu and Persian in the Presidency College, Madras.

I may also state that there are already on the existing staff three munshis for Arabic, Urdu and Persian.

Application for the affiliation of the Government Muhammadan College, Mount Road, Madras, to the University of Madras, in Group iii of the Intermediate course.

(a) Management—

The college which has been started as an experimental measure for two years at first is under the management of the Local Government and controlled by the Director of Public Instruction, Madras.

(b) Teaching staff—

Principal.—Mr. C. W. Moss, M.A. (Oxon), a member of the Provincial Educational Service, first class acting in the Indian Educational Service with large teaching experience. He merely supervises college department.

Lecturer in English.—W. C. Douglas, Esq., M.A. (Edin.), B.A. (Oxon.) M.A. first class Honours in Classics. First class Honours moderations, open classical scholar.

Lecturer in History. Mr. Joseph Franco, M.A. (Hons.) of the Madras University (first class History Honours and first in the Presidency), and L.T.

Lecturer in Logic.—Sayyed Abdul Quader Sahib, B.A. (Hons.) (Philosophy), L. T. of the Madras University.

Professor of Arabic.—Muhammad Naimur Rahman Sahib, B.A. (Hons.), M.A. in Arabic, Munshi Fazil (Persian Hons. Degree Oriental examination of the Punjab University) Formerly Professor of Arabic, Presidency College, Madras.

(c) *Building.*—

The college is located in the Madras-i-Azam, a Government building and the college classes are held at present in three rooms of the school building. Government have sanctioned a sum of Rs. 6,080 for the construction of an additional building to accommodate the new college classes and care will be taken to see that the work which was begun in April last is pushed on as rapidly as possible.

(d) *Library.*—

Due provision is being made for a library and steps are being taken to purchase the necessary books.

(e) Attention is invited to the remarks under (b) staff *supra*.

(f) The Principal is also the Superintendent of the hostel; and he resides in quarters which are in the college compound.

(g) The college will be a Government institution.

(h) The affiliation of this college will not in any way be prejudicial to the interests of other colleges in Madras, as this college is intended for Muhammadans only as there is no other Muhammadan college in Madras.

(i) Fees are levied at half the standard rates prescribed in rule 99 of the Madras Educational Rules.

If affiliation is granted, all changes in the teaching staff after affiliation will be forthwith reported to the Syndicate.

Letter No. 8573 dated December 7, 1918 from the Registrar, University of Madras, to the Rev. A. G. Hogg, M.A., Ferrand E. Corley, Esq., M. A., J. G. Tait, Esq., M. A., and Khan Bahadur Muhammad Bazlullah Sahib Bahadur, B.A.

I have the honour, by direction of the Syndicate, to inform you that an application has been received from the Director of Public Instruction, Madras, for the affiliation of the Madrasa-i-Azam, Mount Road, in the Intermediate courses with Group iii—History, Logic, Persian, Urdu and Arabic and to state that you have been appointed a Commission to conduct the local inquiry at the institution under section 21 (2) of the Indian Universities Act, 1904 and Regulation 374.

I have to ask you to be so good as to take the necessary action at an early date and to fix the date of the visit of the Commission to the institution in consultation with the Principal of the College. I have further to request that your report be submitted to the Syndicate without being disclosed to the authorities of the institution.

The papers in original are forwarded to the Rev. A. G. Hogg who is requested to act as Convener of the Commission.

Letter No. 8572, dated December 7, 1918, from the Registrar, University of Madras, to the Director of Public Instruction, Madras.

With reference to your letter No. 9167, dated November 23, 1918, applying for the affiliation of Madrasa-i-Azam in Group iii—History, Logic, Persian, Urdu and Arabic—of the Intermediate Courses, I have the honour, by direction of the Syndicate, to inform you that a Commission consisting of (1) the Rev. A. G. Hogg, M.A., (2) Ferrand E. Corley, Esq., M. A., (3) J. G. Tait, Esq., M.A., and (4) Khan Bahadur Muhammad Bazlullah Sahib Bahadur, B.A., has been appointed to conduct a local inquiry at the institution

under section 21 (2) of the Indian Universities Act, 1904, and Regulation 374. The Rev. A. G. Hogg has been requested to act as Convener of the Commission and to fix the date of its visit to the institution in consultation with the Principal of the College.

Report of the Commission appointed to conduct at the Madrasa-i-Azam, Mount Road, Madras, the local inquiry called for under Section 21 (2) of the Indian Universities Act and Regulation 374 of the University of Madras.

The Commission consisting of the Rev. A. G. Hogg, M. A., Convener and Messrs F. E. Corley, M.A., J. G. Tait, M.A. and Khan Bahadur Muhammad Bazlullah Sahib Bahadur B.A., met at the Madrasa-i-Azam on Thursday, January 9, 1919, at 10.30 a.m. to conduct the local enquiry, required under Regulation 374 in connection with the application for affiliation in the Intermediate courses with Group iii—History, Logic, Persian, Urdu and Arabic.

(a) The college is under the management of the local Government and controlled by the Director of Public Instruction, Madras.

(b) There are at present ten students in each of the Intermediate classes, and it is not anticipated that there will be any rapid increase in strength. The college staff consists of the Principal, who takes no part in teaching, however, so far as the college classes are concerned, a Lecturer in English, a Lecturer in History, a Lecturer in Logic and a Lecturer in Arabic, Persian and Urdu. The qualifications of these Lecturers are satisfactory, and in view of the present small number of students, the strength of the staff is adequate except as regards the teaching of languages other than English. At present Professor Naimur Rahman takes both class I and class II in Arabic, Persian and Urdu texts besides Urdu Composition and Arabic and Persian Translation. This throws undue strain on him, and the assistance given him by the Arabic, Persian and Urdu Munshis of the High School, who take class I in Arabic and Persian texts and Urdu Composition respectively—each for only two periods every week—is inadequate. The addition of a separate full-timed Arabic, Persian and Urdu Munshi to the college staff is necessary. To pronounce judgment on the adequacy of the staff in other subjects (except in reference to the temporary conditions of this initial year) is impossible, owing not only to the complete uncertainty as to the numbers for which provision will have to be made, but to the circumstance that neither has any decision been taken with regard to what combinations of subjects students are to be allowed to select, nor has any plan been worked out for the organization of a system of library hours. So far, no provision has been made for library work under the supervision of the staff. In Logic this fact is for the moment of little consequence since, with only nine pupils in the Junior and four in the Senior class, the lecturer can easily provide in an informal manner, in or out of class hours, the tutorial assistance that is necessary. As regards English the question of how far an adequate system could be worked out with the present staff was complicated by uncertainty on the part of the lecturer in English whether or not he was entitled to ask for assistance from the Logic lecturer. In History the work required (under normal college conditions) will give the lecturer twelve hours of teaching each week, and as the classes are small, the additional work of papers, library hours, and tutorial instruction should be within his powers.

(c) For the existing classes accommodation has been found at the expense of the school by diverting entirely to their use two class-rooms and by dividing off one end of a large school-room by means of a mat-screen. Such an arrangement is obviously both inadequate and undesirable; but as the Commission were informed that it is only a temporary expedient, it need not be more than mentioned.

For the future, a single one-storeyed building is under construction, which will provide three class-rooms of modest size (20' x 20'). So far as the Commission could discover, this is the only special provision contemplated for the projected college; and it is altogether inadequate. It may be said at once that the class-rooms, in themselves, would serve to accommodate classes of ten or twelve students; and apart from possible objections as to heat and insufficient light, they are good enough for that purpose. Should the numbers be raised above the limit of twelve in a class, it would be imperative to provide larger class-rooms.

Further, even for limited numbers (not exceeding twelve in each year of the course) there is an immediate necessity for more class-rooms than three.

(1) The wide range of options allowed (the possible combinations of subjects are nearly twenty, and the question of limiting the students' choice has not been considered)

entails the necessity either of teaching a large number of classes simultaneously or of providing (in library work, etc.) for the occupation of students who at any time are not in class. (In practice, with the few hours available each week, it is likely to entail both.) For this purpose it is obviously necessary to have more than three rooms—one of which, in any case, must be designated for the use of the junior or senior class, as the case may be, which at any given time may be studying English and undivided.

(2) An ample Library, with good accommodation for readers, is indispensable; this is emphasized by the considerations advanced above under (1). For the library, the three-room block provides no space. Its present situation (in the middle of the school building) could not be sanctioned as permanent.

(3) The teaching staff must be given suitable rooms for study, and for all work that cannot be done in the class-rooms, as well as tiffin and retiring rooms.

Unless more generous provision can be made for buildings the Commission could not recommend the affiliation.

The existing hostel, which is situated within the college grounds, has been used in the past not only for school boys but for students attending other colleges, and so is adequate in the meantime to provide for the needs of the institution in the matter of residential quarters for pupils.

(d) The book cases which contain the books at present set apart for the use of the college students are temporarily accommodated in a large entrance hall, open on the one side to the upper front verandah, on the other to a large school-room, and at each end to smaller rooms. It is thus quite an unsuitable place for study in Library hours. In the department of English Literature and Language the Library contains hardly any books which could be made use of with profit by Intermediate students. The books provided are suitable for members of the staff. There is a good nucleus of books for the study of History; but of these also many are more fitted for B.A. courses and advanced work than for the use of Intermediate classes. As an immediate step, a hundred or more books should be added for Intermediate History, for which the lecturer may be asked to submit a list. The maps provided are in good order; but they are few in number and of no large size. Provision should be made for the purchase of additional maps, or for their preparation by a competent draftsman working under the supervision of the lecturer. A small selection of logical works is already available and one or two more have been ordered. This will serve in the meantime as an indispensable minimum in view of the very limited number of students; but even at present one or two duplicates would be an advantage and the selection of works must be broadened at an early date. As regards Arabic, Persian and Urdu, there is no separate provision for the college at present. An indent appears to have been sent for over two hundred additional books. The High School Library contains mostly books above the high school standard, which could well be transferred to the college Library.

(e) Since affiliation is applied for Group iii only, nothing falls to be said under the head of laboratories or museums.

(f) The Principal's official residence, the school-buildings, the new block in course of construction, and the hostel are all situated in the same compound.

(g) The college being a Government institution, nothing need be said regarding financial resources.

(h) There remains to be considered only the question whether, having regard to the provision made for students by the existing colleges in the city, the grant of affiliation may be in any way prejudicial to the interests of education. Only two possible grounds of hesitation suggest themselves.

It may be open to question whether a purely Muhammadan College is at present likely to attract sufficient numbers to allow of its own healthy development. If by a policy of segregation Muhammadan students are to be denied the educational advantage, so important at the University stage, of rubbing shoulders in the class room with men of other communities and other stand points than their own, it is at any rate vital, on educational grounds, that the college to which they are sent should be one whose classes attract students from varied centres of Muhammadan life and are large enough to provide the impetus of healthy emulation. The possibility of the proposed affiliation reacting inju-

riciously on the interests of Muhammadan education thus turns upon the question of the strength of the demand for a purely Muhammadan college—a question which possibly only experiment can settle, and on which in any case the Commission do not feel qualified to pronounce.

It remains to ask whether there is any possibility of affiliation injuriously affecting educational interests other than Muhammadan. The Director of Public Instruction, in his application for the affiliation, has represented that 'the affiliation of this college will not in any way be prejudicial to the interests of other colleges in Madras, as this college is intended for Muhammadans only and as there is no other Muhammadan college in Madras'. We are amazed at a statement which appears naively to assume that hitherto no Muhammadan students have been found in any of the Madras colleges. The rolls of the Presidency and the Wesley Colleges which are the nearest neighbours, testify to the contrary.

(i) Fees are levied at half the standard rates prescribed in Rule 99 of the Madras Educational Rules. So long as Government adhere to their policy of declining to make to aided colleges an additional grant in compensation of loss of fee income through admissions, at less than standard rates, of pupils from communities which are officially notified as educationally backward, it is inevitable that, as between aided and Government institutions admitting pupils from such communities, there should be competition of a kind which must tend to be injurious to the general interests of education.

Letter No. 991, dated February 11, 1919, from the Registrar, University of Madras, to the Director of Public Instruction, Madras

With reference to the application for the affiliation of the Madrasa-i-Azam in Group iii of the Intermediate courses, I am directed by the Syndicate to forward for your remarks the enclosed copy of the report of the Commission which conducted the local inquiry at the institution. I have to invite your special attention to paragraphs (c) and (h) of the report. The Syndicate will consider again this application for affiliation at its adjourned meeting to be held on the 17th instant.

Letter No. 7530, dated February 15 1919, from the Acting Director of Public Instruction, Madras, to the Registrar University of Madras.

With reference to your letter, No. 991 dated February 11, 1919, I have the honour to state that the college for Muhammadans, Madras, was opened to meet the demand, widely expressed throughout this Presidency, that the educational needs of Southern India require the institution and maintenance of a separate college for Muhammadans. It is not intended that all Muhammadan students should be compelled to read in this college. It is still open to those who desire to continue their studies in the existing affiliated colleges to do so. The college for Muhammadans has been opened to meet the needs of those who consider that it is in the best interests of Muhammadan education that Muhammadan boys should be able to attend a college where special facilities will be available for those who desire to take up such subjects as only Muhammadan boys are likely to study, for example, Persian, Arabic and Urdu, and where special hostel arrangements for Muhammadans are made. The Director of Public Instruction has not assumed that hitherto no Muhammadan students have been found in any of the Madras Colleges. He has accepted the well-known fact that many Muhammadans are precluded from studying in colleges in Madras on account of the insufficiency of college accommodation. The total number of Muhammadans studying last year in colleges in the Madras Presidency was 176, of whom eight-five were reading in colleges in the city of Madras, but a number of students considerably in excess of these figures are refused admission into colleges in Madras every year.

In view of the report of the Commission of the University appointed to inspect this college, questions of staff and accommodation are now receiving my attention. I am in communication with the Consulting Architect to Government with respect to the provision of the additional buildings. The Syndicate may be assured that whatever staff, accommodation and equipment is necessary for the efficient educational work of the college will be provided.

The Syndicate considered the above communication together with the whole correspondence, at its adjourned meeting held on February 17, 1919, and resolved to recommend the Senate to record its opinion that the application for affiliation may be granted by the Government.

UNIVERSITY OF MADRAS.

Extract from the Minutes of the Meeting of the Syndicate held on December 2, 1918.

* * *
Read letter No. 9167, dated November 23, 1918, from the Director of Public Instruction, Madras, applying for the affiliation of the Madrasa-i-Azam in Group iii - History, Logic, Persian, Urdu and Arabic - of the Intermediate courses,

together with the report thereon of the Affiliation Committee of the Syndicate.

Resolved that the Rev. A. G. Hogg and Messrs. F. E. Corley, J. G. Tait and Muhammad Bazlullah Sahib Bahadur be appointed a Commission to conduct a local inquiry at the college.

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Extract from the Minutes of the Meeting of the Syndicate held on February 10, 1919.

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Read report by the Commission appointed to conduct a local inquiry in connection with the application for the affiliation of the Madrasa-i-Azam, Mount Road, in Group iii of the Intermediate courses;

together with the report thereon of the Affiliation Committee of the Syndicate.

Resolved that the report of the Commission be referred to the Director of Public Instruction, Madras, for remarks, and that his attention be specially directed to paragraphs (c) and (h) thereof.

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Extract from the Minutes of the Adjourned Meeting of the Syndicate held on February 17, 1919.

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Considered again report by the Commission appointed to conduct a local inquiry in connection with the application for the affiliation of the Madrasa-i-Azam, Mount Road, in Group iii of the

Intermediate courses,

together with the reply of the Director of Public Instruction, Madras, on the points commented upon by the Inspection Commission.

Resolved to recommend the Senate to record its opinion that affiliation may be granted by the Government.

/True Extracts/

Senate House,
March 15, 1919.

Francis D. ...
Registrar.

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UNIVERSITY OF MADRAS.

Extract from the Minutes of the Meeting of the Senate held on March 7, 1919.

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The Hon'ble Mr. R. Littlehailes moved
and
Mr. L. C. Hodgson seconded

That the Senate record its opinion that the application from the Director of Public Instruction, Madras, for the affiliation of the Madrasa-i-Azam, Mount Road, in Group iii (Histories, Logic, Persian, Urdu and Arabic) of the Intermediate courses may be granted by the Government.

After Mr. G. A. Natesan, the Hon'ble Mr. Justice Abdur Rahim, the Hon'ble Mr. Aziz-ud-din, Mr. C. P. Ramaswami Aiyar, Mr. Muhammad Akbar Hydari, Dewan Bahadur L. A. Govindaraghava Aiyar, Mr. F. S. Davies and Mr. S. E. Ranganathan had spoken, and the Hon'ble Mr. R. Littlehailes had replied,

the resolution was put to the meeting and carried.

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/True Extract/

Senate House,
March 15, 1919.

Francis D. ...
Registrar.

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of Madras No 1902-D 18.3.19

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Intermediate Courses.

A draft order sanctioning the
affiliation applied for is submitted. A
reference to the D.P.I. appears to be
unnecessary, as the College is a Govt.
institution and as the D.P.I. himself origi-
nated the proposal.

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After issue, the D.P.I. may be
separately asked to offer suggestions
to remedy the defects noticed by the
Inspecting Commission

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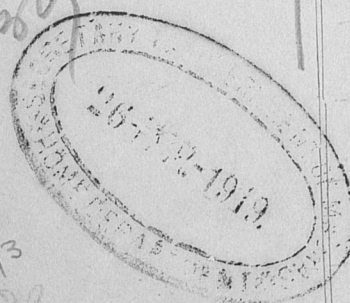
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