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[Despatch Abstract.]

Address.

Recording notes on the address presented to
His Excellency the Governor by the Cuddapah District
Congress Committee.

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HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR'S TOUR—JUNE 1919.

*Extract from the address to be presented
by the Cuddapah District Congress
Committee.*

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"7. We observe with regret that orders have recently been promulgated for the charge of increased fees in lower elementary schools. We beg to point out that the said measure is a retrograde one, especially when the country has long been agitating for the introduction of free and compulsory elementary education. We therefore pray that Your Excellency's Government will rescind the said order, as it is calculated to impede the smooth progress of elementary education amongst the rural population."

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Collector's note thereon.

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3. *Fees in elementary schools.*—The subject has been dealt with in G.O. No. 112, dated 25th January 1919, paragraph 2, according to which the increase complained of comes into force from 1st April 1919.

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Secretariat note.

HOME (EDUCATION) DEPARTMENT.

The Educational Conference held in 1916 recommended the abolition of the system of appropriation of fees by headmasters of lower elementary schools and the adoption of a *common* scale of fees in all elementary schools under public management (i.e., schools maintained by Government or by a local board, or municipal council)—page 103 of G.O. No. 112, Home (Education), dated 25th January 1919. These recommendations were accepted by Government [paragraphs 2 and 3 of Order, page 100 of G.O. No. 112, Home (Education), dated 25th January 1919]. The following table shows the scales in force prior to 1st April 1919 and the revised scales sanctioned in

G.O. No. 112, Home (Education), dated
the 25th January 1919:—

Standards.	Rate of monthly fees levied prior to 1st April 1919.				Revised scale of monthly fees now sanctioned.			
	Lower elementary schools.	Higher elementary schools.			Boys.		Girls.	
		Boys.	Girls.		Boys.	Girls.	Boys.	Girls.
First	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
Second	0 0 6	0 1 0	0 0 6	0 1 0	0 0 6	0 1 0	0 0 6	0 1 0
Third	0 1 0	0 2 0	0 1 0	0 1 0	0 1 0	0 1 0	0 1 0	0 1 0
Fourth	0 2 0	0 3 0	0 1 0	0 2 0	0 3 0	0 1 0	0 2 0	0 1 0
Fifth	0 2 6	0 4 0	0 1 0	0 3 0	0 4 0	0 1 0	0 3 0	0 1 0
Sixth	..	0 6 0	0 1 0	0 4 0	0 6 0	0 1 0	0 4 0	0 1 0
Seventh	..	0 8 0	0 2 0	0 5 0	0 8 0	0 2 0	0 5 0	0 2 0
Eighth	..	0 8 0	0 2 0	0 7 0	0 8 0	0 2 0	0 7 0	0 2 0
Total	..	2 8 0	0 10 6	2 0 0	0 10 6	2 0 0	0 10 6	2 0 0

2. It will be seen that, in higher elementary schools, the total monthly fee payable by a boy for the whole course is 8 annas less than that paid under the old scale and that, in lower elementary schools, the rate of fee has been raised only by 6 pies per mensem in respect of the first and fourth standards [paragraph 5, page 33 of notes to G.O. No. 112, Home (Education), dated 25th January 1919]. The first standard is mostly used as a creche for infants and it is to prevent this that the rate of fee was raised from 6 pies to 1 anna per mensem. The increase of 6 pies in the fee payable by a pupil of the fourth standard cannot be considered as excessive.

3. Under existing rules, Panchamas and pupils belonging to the castes or classes declared to be backward may be admitted without payment of fees and fees at half the standard rates may be levied from Muhammadan and Oriya boys (rule 84 of the Educational Rules). Further, it is open to a local body to modify the scale in consultation with the Inspector of Schools [proviso to rule 84 (ii) of the Educational Rules]. It may, however, be mentioned in this connexion that managers of aided elementary schools are at liberty to levy fees at any rate they like or to forego fees altogether.

4. Several local bodies have applied for permission to abolish fees in elementary schools under their management. The Director of Public Instruction has been asked to submit a note on the question and this is awaited. In view of the discretion vested in local bodies to alter the scale of fees according to local circumstances, it does not appear that any modification is necessary at present in the scale approved in G.O. No. 112, Home (Education), dated the 25th January 1919.

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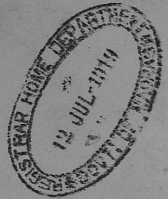
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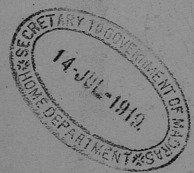
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Returned with the following extract from his Excellency's reply:

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"As lately as January 1919 Government accepted the recommendations of the Educational Conference held in 1916 for the abolition of the system of appropriation of fees by headmasters of lower elementary schools and the adoption of a common scale of fees in all elementary schools under public management. The result of this decision has been that the total monthly fee payable by a boy for the whole course in higher elementary schools is 8 annas less than that paid under the old scale, while in lower elementary schools the rate has been raised only by six pies a month in the first and fourth standards. Moreover under present rules Panchamas and pupils of castes and classes declared to be backward are admitted in schools under public management without payment of fees and fees at half rates may be levied from Muhammadans. But it is open to any local body to modify the scale in consultation with the Inspector of Schools and it therefore seems hardly necessary at present to consider any modification of the scale so lately approved. Government has however asked the Director of Public Instruction to examine the general question of the abolition of fees in elementary schools and the Elementary Education Bill which is now under the consideration of Government provides for the introduction of compulsory education by local bodies with the previous sanction of Government. The Bill does not provide for free primary education but before compulsion is introduced this question of the levy of fees or their abolition will receive very careful consideration."



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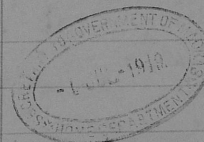
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