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LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL OFFICE.



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QUESTION.—No. 2.

for the meeting of the Legislative

Council to be held ^{at} the next Session 1921.

SUBMITTED that two copies of this Question may be forwarded to the
Law (Judicial) 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 *The question has been admitted.*

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*L. S. S.
27-4-21*

U.O. No. 14962 dated 27-4-21

To

The Law (Judicial) Department.

Mr. M.C. Rajah.

LAW (JUDICIAL) DEPARTMENT.

2. To ask the Hon'ble the Law Member
(a) to state the number of boys in the Reformatory School, Chingleput, who escaped or tried to escape from the school for the last ten years;

(b) whether after the retirement of Mr. Coombe, the boys have been taken on excursion trips to places of interest, if so to what places and when;

(c) if it is a fact that one Raghavalu pupil No. 379 was given 12 stripes by the Superintendent on 2-2-20 for escaping from the premises;

(d) if for the same offence he was prosecuted and sentenced to two years on 14-1-21;

(e) whether, if the answer to (d) above is in the affirmative, the punishment is authorised by the regulations in that behalf

(f) whether ^{if} it is not authorised the Government will be pleased to state if it has any intention to interfere;

(g) to state the circumstances under which Chota Sahib pupil No. 323 was prosecuted and sentenced to 2 years by the Sub Divisional Magistrate, Chingleput, on 14-1-21

(h) to state whether the Government is aware that the Adi Dravida boys in the school are not given equal treatment with other caste boys in the school, particularly Malayalee boys

(i) to state if it is a fact that about

about 10 boys have been released by the present Superintendent since he assumed charge of the school.

(j) to state if it is a fact that as many as 22 boys were released on a single day i.e., 20-2-21 before their respective period of punishment expired and if so, the circumstances which necessitated the release of so many on a single day.

(k) to state the special qualifications of the present Superintendent and if he had any previous experience of educational institutions.

(l) if it is a fact that the present Superintendent has abolished the night school which was in existence for a very long time.

(m) whether there is any Deputy Superintendent to the school at present

(n) if it is a fact that the present Superintendent combines in himself the functions of a Superintendent and Deputy Superintendent.

(o) if it is true that the rules require the Deputy Superintendent to be a man belonging to the Provincial Educational Service

(p) if it is true that Mr. Fife remarked that the industrial training given to the pupils in the school is very poor; and

(q) if it is a fact that Raghavulu pupil No. 379 who was given 12 stripes by the Superintendent on 2-2-20 was given "Good conduct badge" a few months after the punishment.

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Chingleput Reformatory
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The enclosed copy
of a question which a member
proposes to ask at the
next meeting of the Legislative
Council is forwarded to the
D.P. I. and he is requested
to submit detailed information
and on the several points
therein referred to.

2- The D.P. I. is also
requested to complete
submit a full report
on the cases of Bagharlu
and Chota Sahib referred to
in clauses (c) to (g) of the
question.

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Raj. Govt. Dept. of
Public Instruction

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The D.P. I. with
copy of question
(omitting name of member).

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LAW (EDUCATION)

DEPARTMENT.

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Subject.

Submitting with reference to Government Memorandum No. 14 29 B-2 Law Education dated 15-6-21 remarks in connection with the interpellations in the Madras Legislative Council regarding the cases of certain juvenile offenders under detention in the Reformatory School, Chingleput.

ENCLOSURES

No.

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R.C. No. 6243/21.

Station Madras, Dated the 14th July 1921. 191

From (Name) R. Littlehales Esq., M.A.,
(Designation) Director of Public Instruction.

To The Secretary to the Government of Madras,
LAW (EDUCATION) Department.

pro ante
10/7/21 infra
Sir, With reference to Government Memorandum No. 1429 B-2 Law (Education) dated 15th June 1921, I have the honour to submit herewith a copy of each of the two letters R.C.No. 172-G1/21 dated 2nd July 1921 which the Superintendent, Reformatory School, Chingleput has submitted to me in this connection.

2. In regard to the two pupils Chota Sahib and Ragha-
valu, attention is invited to G.O. No. 2818 Home (Judl.)
dated 10th November 1920 and to the Director's subsequent
report to Government R.C.No. 610/21 dated 2nd February
1921 stating that these two boys were prosecuted for
escaping from lawful custody before the Sub Divisional
Magistrate, Chingleput, that they were convicted and
sentenced -

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in b/c no 833
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sentenced to two year's rigorous imprisonment each, that they were directed to be sent to the Boy's Institution at Tanjore and that they were accordingly handed over to the Police in the Court House on 14th January 1921.

3. Further the attention of Government is invited to the correspondence leading up to G.O.No.1065 Home (Education) dated 4th September 1919 which appointed Mr. P.Krishna Warriar as Temporary Superintendent of the Reformatory School.

4. I am of opinion that the questions proposed to be asked at the next meeting of the Legislative Council do not fulfill the conditions laid down in standing order No. 31 (c) of Chapter VI of the Madras Legislative Council Manual. The question appears to be of excessive length.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

P.R. Krishnam
14.7.21

for Director of Public Instruction.

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Copy of letter R.C.No.172-G1 of 1921 dated 2nd July 1921 from the Superintendent, Reformatory school, Chingleput to the Director of Public Instruction, Madras.

With reference to your Proceedings R.C.No.6243/21 dated 20-6-21 forwarding a copy of the Government Memorandum No.1429-B-2 dated 15-6-1921, I have the honour to submit the following replies -- to the questions put therein:-

Question.(a) To state the number of boys in the Reformatory school, Chingleput, who escaped or tried to escape from the school for the last ten years..

Answer. The following statement shows the number of boys who escaped or attempted to escape for the last 10 years.

Year.	No. escaped.
1911.	3.
1912.	3.
1913.	6.
1914.	4.
1915.	4.
1916.	3.
1917.	1.
1918.	6.
1919.	10. (4 after the present Superintendent -
1920.	4. assumed charge).
1921.	1.

Of the escapes in 1919, 5 have not been re-captured and they all escaped before the present superintendent assumed charge.

Question (b) Whether after the retirement of Mr.Coombes the boys have been taken on excursion trips to places of interest if so to what places and when?

(Answer) Yes.

Mr. Arthur "Palar River Water works"

Thirumani (Rock cut caves)

Hill near the Palar River
Madurantakam Road.

Christmas holidays 1919.

Melresapuram, Agricultural farm. Christmas holidays 1920.

Question (c) If it is a fact that one Raghavalu pupil No.379 was given 12 stripes by the Superintendent on 2-2-1920 for escaping from the premises?

Answer:- Yes. This was the second time he escaped including 2 other boys to join him-the first escape being on 6-10-1919. taking another boy with him.

Question (D) If for the same offence he was prosecuted and sentenced to two years on 14-1-1921?

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Answer. No. As he was a mischievous boy, it was thought desirable to get him transferred to the Borstal Institution, Tanjore in the interests of other boys on the matter going up to the Government, transfer was considered objectionable according to the rules and as a means of sending him there he was prosecuted but it was never contemplated that the boy should be punished a second time for the same offence. On appeal the District and Sessions Judge, I understand, reduced the sentence to one month on 26-4-1921 and the boy was discharged since.

Question (e)

Question (f)

Question (g). To state the circumstances under which Chota Sahib pupil No. 323 was prosecuted and sentenced to two years by the Sub Divisional Magistrate, Chingleput on 14-1-1921.

Answer. Pupil Chota Sahib was enlisted into the Military 2/80 Carnatic Infantry, Trichinopoly on 28-10-1919. He deserted and came back to the school on 1-3-20. Again he escaped with another smaller boy on 24-12-20 but was recaptured at Madurantakam and brought back on 26-12-1920. He was therefore prosecuted and sentenced to 2 years by the Sub Divisional Magistrate, Chingleput, and sent to the Borstal Institution, Tanjore. The Magistrate told me that it was only to give him time to ~~refuse~~ that he was awarded two years rigorous imprisonment.

Question (H) To state whether the Government is aware that the Adi Dravida boys in the school are not given equal treatment with other caste boys in the school, particularly Malayalee boys.

Answer. No. All are treated alike.

Question (i) To state if it is a fact that about 40 boys have been released by the present Superintendent, since he assumed charge of the school?

Answer. Yes. 38 boys were recommended for discharge and they were discharged after Government orders were received. Of these 32 were on account of overage (2 in 1919, 3 in 1920 and 27 in 1921) The District Medical and Sanitary Officer, Chingleput testified to their being being overaged in the case of the 1st two and the Surgeon General with the Government of Madras in the case of the last batch. The other six boys were discharged on account

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account of communicable diseases etc., (leprosy 1, Filariasis 2 Heart disease 1, Tubercle of the lungs 1 and epilepsy 1).

Question (j) To state if it is a fact that as many as 22 boys were released on a single day i.e., 20-2-1921 before their respective period of punishment expired, and if so, the circumstances which necessitated the release of so many on a single day?

Answer. Yes. The boys were overaged i.e. over 18 years, as certified by the Surgeon General with the Government of Madras. They cannot be detained in the school after receiving the Government order for their immediate discharge.

Question (k) To state the special qualifications of the present Superintendent and if he had any previous experience of educational institutions?

Answer. He had had no previous experience of educational institutions.

Question (l) If it is a fact that the present Superintendent has abolished the night school which was in existence for a very long time?

Answer. Yes. A night school used to be held for a few boys, just for a couple of months before the annual examination and it was not considered necessary. The present Superintendent wishes to introduce night school for the whole school to teach moral lessons and the matter is under consideration on account of the increase of staff wanted for it.

Question (m) If it is a fact that the present Superintendent combines in himself the functions of a Superintendent and Deputy Superintendent?

(n) Whether there is any Deputy Superintendent to the school at present?

Answer. There never used to have a whole time Superintendent to the school, the District Medical and Sanitary officer used to be the ex-officio Superintendent on an allowance of Rs 100/- . The Deputy Superintendent who used to be a whole time servant was practically responsible in all routine matters. Now a whole time

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Medical Superintendent has been put in and there is no Deputy Superintendent.

Question (e). If it is true that the rules require the Deputy Superintendent to be a man belonging to the Provincial Education Service?

Answer --Yes. When there is one, he shall be of that cadre.

Question (p) If it is true that Mr.Fyfe remarked that the industrial training given to the pupils in the school is very poor.

Answer:- No. Some more up to date machinery, more roomy work shops and a workshop Superintendent are the desirable improvements suggested by Mr.Fyfe. The Assistant Director of Industries Mr.A.E. Jorden, remarked as follows on 11th December 1920. "The whole place seems to be admirably managed and the physique and the working turned out by the boys is excellent".

Question (q) If it is a fact that Raghavalu pupil No.379 who was given 12 stripes by the Superintendent on 2-2-1920 was given good conduct badge a few months after the punishment.

Answer. Yes. He was given a good conduct badge in October 1920 8 months after punishment.

Copy of letter R.C.No.172 G1 of 21 dated 2nd July 1921 from the Superintendent, Reformatory school, Chingleput to the Director of Public Instruction, Madras.

With reference to para 2 of the Government Memorandum No.1429-B-2 dated 15-6-1921, communicated to me with Proceedings R.C.No.6243 of 1921 dated 20-6-21, I have the honour to submit the report on the cases of Raghavalu and Chota Sahib as follows:-

Pupil Raghavalu. He was admitted into the school on 26-4-1918 having been convicted by the Chief Presidency Magistrate, Madras under section 379 and 75 P.P.C. He escaped from the school on 6-10-1919 inducing another boy to join him and was re-captured on the same day in a village about 2 1/2 miles away and brought back. He was given 8 cuts on the buttocks on 9-10-1919 as a disciplinary measure and kept under close observation for a month along with the

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the new boys. Again he escaped on 2-2-1920 including 2 other boys to join him this time. It was at once found out and the peons chased the boys. Raghavalu hit one of the peons chasing him with a stone (thrown at him) and how he was apprehended and brought back. He was given 12 cuts on the buttocks on the same day and again kept under close observation.

On getting information that Raghavalu was still saying that he would run away if he gets a chance, through the monitor in charge, I wrote to the Director of Public Instruction requesting him to take steps to transfer him to the Borstal Institution Tanjore, thinking it would have a salutary effect on the minds of other boys. After a prolonged correspondence with the --- Collector of the District and the Inspector General of Prisons, I was directed by the Director of Public Instruction to prosecute the boy for escape from lawful custody under rule 36 of the -- rules of the Reformatory school, as a means of sending the boy to the Borstal Institution, as transfer is not possible according to the rules. The matter then went up to Government, as -- according to the rules, the Police should not have anything to do with the boys of the school and the services of the Public Prosecutor were not considered necessary by the Collector. Then according to G.O.No.2818 Home(Judicial) dated 10-11-1920 communicated with the Proceedings Dis.No.8046 dated 1-12-1920 the boy was prosecuted and the Sub Divisional Magistrate, Chingleput sentenced him to 2 years in the Borstal Institution at Tanjore on 15-1-1921. The District and Sessions Judge on appeal reduced the sentence to one months R.I. on 26-4-1921 and the boy since released.

Chota Sahib This boy was admitted into the school on 30-5-1917 having been convicted by the Chief Presidency Magistrate Madras under section 379 and 75 I.P.C and he had seven punishments in the school (4 before I assumed charge). In October 1919, on examining the boys I considered him overaged and put him up before the Committee of Visitors on 23-10-1919 and he was -- licensed and sent out enlisting him in 2/80th Carnatic Infantry. He deserted and came here on 1-3-1920. On reporting the matter

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matter to the Officer commanding 2/80 Carnatic Infantry -
he replied saying he did not want the boy. His term of
detention in the school was to expire only on 28-5-1921 and I
had to keep him though he was a refractory boy. I then applied
to the Director, of Public Instruction to get him also --
transferred to the Borstal Institution and sanction was accorded
to prosecute him also under rule 36 of the rules of the
Reformatory school in Proceedings R.C.No.3515 dated 8-5-1920.

He escaped on 24-12-20 taking another small boy with him,
but was re-captured at Madurantakam on 25-12-1920 and brought
here on 26-12-1920. As caning was considered ineffective in
his case he was given 3 days penal diet as a disciplinary measure.

Then after the receipt of the G.O. referred to above, he
was prosecuted before the Sub Divisional Magistrate, Chingleput
who was also one of the members of the Committee of Visitors--
and he was sentenced to 2 years rigorous imprisonment on 15-1-21.

The above prosecutions have had I believe, a very good
influence on the character of the boys in the school.

(True copy)

N.R. Kishan
14-7-21

for Director of Public Instruction.

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NOTES.

C No. 1429 B

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Information is available in the
Depth in respect of clauses (i), (j), (k),
(m), & (n) + (o) of the question and
these are dealt with below.

Go No. 235 Cm, 14-2-21 (F)
" 1393 " 8-29-11-20 (L)
" 240 " 8-23-2-20 (B)
" 148 " 8-30-1-20 (J)
" 59 " 8-12-1-20 (H)
" 1385 " 8-13-11-19 (C)

(i) - Thirty pupils were discharged
from the Reformatory school after the
present Superintendent assumed charge of it.
vide his notes in the margin. Most
of these ^{pupils} were discharged as they were
found to be over 18 years of age and
a few of them on account of certain
incurable or contagious diseases.

It may be observed that there might
have been some pupils discharged
~~under Section 8(1)~~
of the Reformatory Schools Act (VIII of 1911)
after the expiry of the period of
detention sentenced by the Court
or Magistrate, or under Section 22(2)
of the Act after the ^{pupil} has been
apprenticed. Perhaps the D.P. may
be asked to furnish full information
if available on the point and suggest
a suitable answer.

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(J) yes - The Surgeon General
with the Govt of Madras pronounced
them to be over 18 years of age.

(K) The present Superintendent does not
possess any special qualifications

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GO No 1065 Edr (M)
4.9.19

rule notes on p 9 of
GO (M) + the GO itself

GO (M)

vide rule 8 of the Rules
in GO No 158 Edr 8, 20-3-07

(a)
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except that he is a Civil Asst
Surgeon of 11 years standing. He
has ^{previous} no experience of educational
institutions -

(m) no.

(n) As the present Supt is a
full time officer, no Deputy Supt
has been appointed to the school

(o) yes.

2. Clauses (c), (d), (e), (f) of
of the question relate to Law (Jails)
Submitted that that Dept may
be requested to furnish information
required on these clauses and to suggest
suitable answers.

3 On receipt of the file
from Law (Jails), it may be
forwarded up to the D.P.D. for
furnishing suitable answers
to clauses (a), (b), (h), (i), (l), (p) +
(q) of the question.

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Law (Jails) v.o.

Law (General) Dept.

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Please see para 2 of the Edr note above.

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Clause (c) of the question

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We have no direct information on this point from the report of the District Judge. But it appears from the letter of the District Judge, Chingleput addressed to the D.M., No 883 D. 4-3-21 that the boy Raghavulu was given 12 stripes, as a disciplinary measure, for escaping. To this ~~is~~ ^{is} ~~the~~ ^{the} question refers & the answer is "yes".
Clause (c) of the question.

The answer to this question is "yes". Please see the judgment of the Sub-Divisional Magistrate in C.C. No 2 of 1921 on his file. It also appears from the letter of the District Judge referred to above that the fact of Raghavulu having been given 12 stripes was not brought to the notice of the Sub-Div. Magistrate by the report of the School, and the Magistrate when passing sentence was unaware of this fact.
Cluses (e) and (f) of the question.

Please see the correspondence in the linked file - we have asked the D.M., Chingleput (on 20.4.21), to report whether any appeal has been preferred by both or either of the accused in C.C. No 2 and 3 of 1921 on the file of the Sub-Div. Magistrate and if so to obtain and forward copies of the judgment of the appellate Court. We have also asked him, if no appeal was preferred by the boys, to offer his remarks on the observations of the Session Judge, in his letter to the D.M. referred to above.

x vide page 4
of C.F. in linked
case below.
(removed)

x pp 8 + 9 of C.F.
in the linked
case below
(removed)

On appeal the sentence
was reduced to one month.

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D.M. 505-C-2
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The whipping was not a
judicial punishment. The subsequent
conviction & sentence was not
therefore illegal. The boy is now free.

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and to send up the connected records. The D.M.'s reply has not yet been received. Thus the answer to clauses (e) and (f) of the question may be - The matter is under the consideration of the

Clause (g) of the question.

(I) Please see the Correspondence in G.O. 2818 Dated (Tues) 26.11.20 and the Correspondence in the linked file re: the Sub-divisional Magistrate's judgment in C.C. no 3 of 21 on his file. The circumstances are as follows: - The accused was convicted by the C.P.M. Madras for offences under Sec 379 and 75 of the I.P.C. and was sent to the Reformatory School, Chingleput. He was admitted into the school on 29.5.17 but he escaped from the school on 24.12.20 ^{and} was re-arrested on 25.12.20 and prosecuted for an offence under Sec 224 I.P.C. and sentenced to 2 years' ^{rigorous} imprisonment by the Sub-Divisional Magistrate, Chingleput.

With the foregoing remarks, the file may be returned to the Edn. Dept.

Gm.V.V.
27.5.21

The S.M.'s reply came in today.

Please put it up.

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The reply from the D.M., Chingleput is put up with

linked file.
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Note to Earl

The obvious course was to let
H.M.'s permin. take a report as to
the facts. The Supt. May 6/21

Earl

Edl. Dept.

For orders whether a reference may be made
to the D.P.P.

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to fact from the paper permin. the paper
channel. On this file I have asked
in fact as to the permin. under which Nagach
was stopped as a demerit measure. - 6/6/21.



* omitting
the portion enclosed
in pencil brackets.

~~Submitted that the file may
be forwarded to the D.P.P.
for obtaining a report as to the
facts from the Supt. of the
school, at a very early date.~~

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Draft Dm. to the
D.P. I submitted for approval.

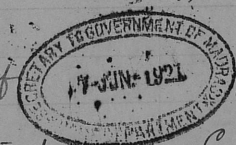
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2. As regards C₃'s query on
page 5 ante, it is submitted that
the Supt of the Reformatory School
is empowered by the rules to inflict
corporal punishment on boys for
offences committed by them - vide
rules 38 and 39 of rules on pages 8 & 9

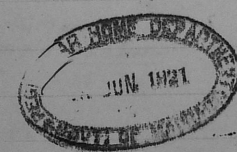
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is used as Memo 1429 B-2
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On pages 7-8 of G.O. 158 East of 20-3-07.

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C No. 2111 B. From the D.P. I, C No 6243/P1
of 14th July 1921.



Please see copies of letters from
the Supt of the Reformatory School,
Chingleput to the D.P. I. on pages 7-10 of
in which is furnished a full state-
ment of ~~the~~ facts. The following
draft answer is suggested for appl.

Draft Answer.

(a) The number of boys in the Reformatory School, Chingleput who escaped or attempted to escape during the last ten years is as follows:-

<u>Year.</u>	<u>No. escaped</u>
1911	3
1912	3
1913	6
1914	4
1915	4
1916	3
1917	1
1918	6
1919	10
1920	4
1921	1

(b) Yes - Arthur-Palar river water works
Thirumanai (rock-cut caves)
Hill near the Palar river
Madurantakam Road

During
Christmas
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Melresapuram Agricultural
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(c) Yes - as this was the second time he escaped inducing two other boys to join him.

(d) yes. The sentence was however reduced to one month rigorous imprisonment by the court on appeal.

(e) The first punishment which is not a judicial one is authorised by the rules framed under section 26 sub-section (2) of the Reformatory Schools Act, 1897. The second conviction is legal and justified under section 224 I.P.C. The punishment is legal.

(g) Pupil Chota Sahib was admitted into the school on 29-5-1917. He was licensed and enlisted into the Military 2/80th Carnatic Infantry, Trichinopoly on 28-10-1919. He deserted and came back to the school on 1-3-1920. Again he escaped with another boy on 24-12-20 but was recaptured and brought back on 26-12-20. He was therefore ~~prose~~ prosecuted and

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p. 20 of G.O. No. 833 Law G.O.
15-7-21.

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Rules 38 on p. 7 of

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para. 7 on p. 20 of

G.O. No. 833 Law G.O.

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p. 12 of G.O. No. 833 Law G.O.
15-7-21.

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and sentenced to two years by the Sub Divisional Magistrate, Chingleput, and sent to the Borstal Institution, Tanjore.

(h) The Government have inquired into the matter and are not aware of any different treatment meted out to the Adi Dravida boys in the school.

(i) Yes - Most of the pupils were discharged as they were found to be over 18 years of age and a few others on account of certain incurable or contagious diseases.

(j) Yes - The Surgeon General with the Govt. of Madras pronounced them to be over 18 years of age and they were released under section 13(2) of the Reformatory Schools Act, 1897.

(k) The present Superintendent is a Civil Asst. Surgeon of ^{over} 11 years standing. He has ^{had} no previous experience of educational institutions.

(l) Yes - A night school used to be held for a few boys just for a couple of months before the annual examination and it was considered unnecessary.

(m) No.

(n) As the present Superintendent is a full time officer, no Deputy Supdt. has been appointed to the school.

(o) Yes.

(p) No. Mr. Fyfe suggested some more up-to-date machinery, more roomy workshops and a workshop Supdt.

(q) Yes. He was given a good conduct badge in October 1920.

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p 9 CF.

GONo 235 Edn. (E)
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p 3 CF.
p 9 CF.

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GONo 158 Edn. (Q)
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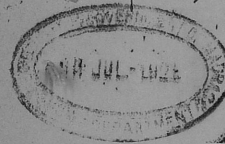
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2. The D.P.I. is of opinion that the questions are of excessive length and do not fulfil the conditions laid down in Standing Order No. 31(6) of Chapter VI of the Madras Legislative Council Manual - Volume II - As however the questions have already been admitted we cannot now disallow them under the above standing order.

3. If the above draft answer is approved, the file may be circulated to C3.

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The final form of the question
and answer was as follows:—

Chingleput Reformatory School.

67 Q.—Mr. M. C. RAJA: To ask the Hon'ble the Law Member—
(a) to state the number of boys in the Reformatory School, Chingleput, who escaped or tried to escape from the school for the last ten years;
(b) whether after the retirement of Mr. Coombes, the boys have been taken on excursion trips to places of interest; if so, to what places and when;
(c) if it is a fact that one Raghavalu, pupil No. 379, was given twelve stripes by the Superintendent on 2nd February 1920 for escaping from the premises;
(d) if for the same offence he was prosecuted and sentenced to two years on 14th January 1921;
(e) whether, if the answer to (d) above is in the affirmative, the punishment is authorized by the regulations in that behalf;
(f) whether if it is not authorized, the Government will be pleased to state if it has any intention to interfere;

(g) to state the circumstances under which Chota Sahib, pupil No. 329, was prosecuted and sentenced to two years by the Subdivisional Magistrate, Chingleput, on 14th January 1921;

(h) to state whether the Government is aware that the Adi Dravida boys in the school are not given equal treatment with other caste boys in the school, particularly Malayalee boys;

(i) to state if it is a fact that about 40 boys have been released by the present Superintendent since he assumed charge of the school;

(j) to state if it is a fact that as many as 22 boys were released on a single day, i.e., 20th February 1921, before their respective period of punishment expired, and, if so, the circumstances which necessitated the release of so many on a single day;

(k) to state the special qualifications of the present Superintendent and if he had any previous experience of educational institutions;

(l) if it is a fact that the present Superintendent has abolished the night school which was in existence for a very long time;

(m) whether there is any Deputy Superintendent to the school at present;

(n) if it is a fact that the present Superintendent combines in himself the functions of a Superintendent and Deputy Superintendent;

(o) if it is true that the rules require the Deputy Superintendent to be a man belonging to the Provincial Educational Service;

(p) if it is true that Mr. Pye remarked that the industrial training given to the pupils in the school is very poor; and

(q) if it is a fact that Raghavalu, pupil No. 379, who was given twelve stripes by the Superintendent on 2nd February 1920, was given a "Good conduct badge" a few months after the punishment.

4.—(a) The number of boys in the Reformatory School, Chingleput, who escaped or attempted to escape during the last ten years is as follows:—

Year.	Number escaped.	Year.	Number escaped.
1911	3	1917	1
1912	3	1918	6
1913	6	1919	10
1914	4	1920	4
1915	4	1921	1
1916	3		

(b) Yes. Athur-Palar river water-works. Thirumanai (rock-cut caves) Hill near the Palar river. Madurantakam Road. Melresapuram agricultural farm. During Christmas Holidays, 1919. During Christmas Holidays, 1920.

(c) Yes, as a disciplinary measure, as this was the second time he escaped inducing two other boys to join him.

(d) Yes. The sentence was however reduced to one month's rigorous imprisonment by the Sessions Judge of Chingleput on appeal.

(e) & (f) The punishment is legal.

(g) Pupil Chota Sahib was admitted into the school on 29th May 1917. He was licensed and enlisted into the Military, 2/80th Carnatic Infantry, Trichinopoly, on 28th October 1919. He deserted and came back to the school on 1st March 1920. Again he escaped

with another boy on 24th December 1920 but was recaptured and brought back on 26th December 1920. He was, therefore, prosecuted and sentenced to two years by the Subdivisional Magistrate, Chingleput, and sent to the Borstal Institution, Tanjore.

- (h) No.
 (i) Yes. Most of the pupils were discharged as they were found to be over 18 years of age and a few others on account of certain incurable or contagious diseases.
 (j) Yes. The Surgeon-General with the Government of Madras pronounced them to be over 18 years of age and they were released under section 13 (2) of the Reformatory Schools Act, 1897.
 (k) The present Superintendent is a Civil Assistant Surgeon of over 11 years' standing. He has had no previous experience of educational institutions.
 (l) Yes. A night school used to be held for a few boys just for a couple of months before the annual examination and it was considered unnecessary.
 (m) No.
 (n) As the present Superintendent is a full-time officer, no Deputy Superintendent has been appointed to the school.
 (o) Yes.
 (p) No. Mr. Fyfe suggested some more up-to-date machinery, more roomy workshops and a workshop Superintendent.
 (q) Yes. He was given a good conduct badge in October 1920.

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