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[Despatch Abstract.]

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23.7.21.

Legislative Council Office.

Question No. 340 for the meeting of the Legislative Council to be held in August 1921.

Submitted that two copies of this Question may be forwarded to the Law (Edn.) Department. The question has been admitted.

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U.O.NO. 1854-6 dated 21-7-21

To The Law (Education) Department.

Council Office.

13-7-21.

QUESTION.

Mr. T.C. Thangavelu Pillai.

THE LAW (EDUCATION) DEPARTMENT.

340. To ask the Hon'ble the Minister for Education -

(a) whether the attention of the Government has been drawn to the protests made in the press and platform about the ~~slaughter~~ failure of candidates in the recent Intermediate examination;

(b) what proposals the Government have on hand to put a stop to such failures.

M.S.V.

Law (Edn.) Dept.

Attention is solicited to the Cuttings from the Hindu at Slips (5) and (6). containing Comments on the abnormal failures in the recent

Intermediate examination. The control over the Intermediate examination is vested in the University and Govt cannot dictate to that body in matters of this kind. The following draft answer is for approval:—

(a) ~~The Govt have refused to~~ yes.
~~persuade certain Articles in the newspapers on the subject~~

(b) The Govt do not propose to take any action in the matter

of answer to a similar question in L.S. of 16.12.21 No 1581

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The University has Control over these affairs and Govt do not propose to interfere

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Intermediate examination results.

126 Q.—Mr. T. C. TANGAVELU PILLAI: To ask the Hon'ble the Minister for Education—

(*a*) whether the attention of the Government has been drawn to the protests made in the press and platform about the failure of candidates in the recent Intermediate Examination; and

(*b*) what proposals the Government have on hand to put a stop to such failure.

A.—(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) The University has control over these examinations and Government do not propose to interfere.

The notes may now be

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L.C. meeting August 1921

Question – Failure in the Intermediate Exam^n. – Recorded.

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Home (Educn) DEPARTMENT.

CUTTINGS FROM NEWSPAPERS.

1. *Name of Paper*— The Hindu
2. *Published at*— Madras
3. *Dated*— 10-6-1921

THE daily growing volume of correspondence relating to the large percentage of failures in the recent Intermediate examination, discloses the prevalence of deep disappointment and despair among the "plucked students" and their parents in the presidency. Really one wonders why such a high standard of correction leading to the high percentage of failures should become a special feature of the Madras University. The percentage of failures in English is shocking. It cannot be assumed for a moment that the intellectual calibre of the rising generation is undergoing a process of deterioration justifying the heartless slaughter. The charge of want of application and neglect of studies cannot with any reason be laid at the door of such a vast majority of unfortunate students, who had been sent up by the several Colleges after a thorough course of training, covering over a period of two years, with half yearly and annual tests of efficiency and fitness to appear for the examination. The situation has become too serious to be neglected by those that shape the destiny of the student population seeking to complete their Arts course. Three remedial courses are suggested. In the first place, the students ask for the holding of another examination In October next. They also demand a revision of the list of passes by lowering the minimum and lastly it is suggested that the same text books may be allowed in their case when they appear for the examination in 1922. The demands do not appear to be extravagant.

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CUTTINGS FROM NEWSPAPERS.

1. *Name of Paper*— The Hindu
2. *Published at*— Madras
3. *Dated*— 3.6.21

INTERMEDIATE EXAMINATION OF APRIL, 1921.

SIR,—On behalf of myself and my fellow sufferers, I crave the generosity of your columns to bring to the kind notice of those concerned of the Madras University, the disadvantages to those candidates, who were examined in 1920 English text books, in the paper on vernacular composition, which was the same for all who were examined in English text books prescribed for 1920 or 1921 examination. For every examination in vernacular composition, the candidates according to the regulation 183 of the University of Madras are required to answer, two out of the three questions, one of them being invariably taken from the non-detailed English text books and the other two from the prescribed vernacular text books, which latter, for the last examination, were the same for the two sets of candidates referred to above. But the question from English non-detailed text books appeared only from 1921 text books thus depriving the other set of candidates of the advantages of a choice.

It is a hard and most painful decree of fate that a student because of his vernacular composition should fail in the examination in Part I, the other subject of which is, English the stumbling-block on the way of most students who fail. Will the sufferer's prayers to show them some kind and favourable consideration, be heard by the Syndicate.

A SUFFERER.

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