

Law (1921) Department.
Education

Ordinary SERIES.

G.O. No. 1295

DATED 14th September 1921

[Despatch Abstract.]

Legislative Council Meeting, September 1921---Resolution-
Medium of instruction in schools and medium of examinations- not moved-
papers recorded.

BACK PAPERS.

G.O.	No.	Department.	Date.	G.O.	No.	Department.	Date.

FURTHER PAPERS.

G.O.	No.	Department.	Date.	G.O.	No.	Department.	Date.

L. & M. (v) 9-590-4-3-21.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL OFFICE.

Resolutions on matters of General Public Interest.

SUBJECT.—No. 146

for the meeting of the Legislative

Council to be held on the 1st August 1921.

SUBMITTED that two copies of this Resolution may be forwarded to the Law (Edn) Department with reference to Nos. (1) and (4) of the rules regulating Secretariat procedure in dealing with these Resolutions in the Legislative Council. The Resolution has been admitted.

U.O. No. 1270-4 dated 22-7-21

To

The Law (Edn) Department

admitted

As admitted

Council recommends to His Excellency the Governor
Council Office,
15th July 1921.
Resolution.
Mr. W. Vijayaraghava Mudaliyar.
THE LAW (EDUCATION) DEPARTMENT.

146. That this Council recommends
to the Government that managers of
schools be given the option of having
as medium of instruction in schools
either the vernacular or English in
non-language subjects, but that the
medium of examination in all subjects
except the vernacular should continue
to be in English.

The
D.P.I. with notes that there is no
either in the Madras Education
rules or in the Secondary School
Leaving Certificate Scheme which
precludes the management of any
high school making provision for
preparing candidates for the S.S.
public examination in
vernacular as the medium of
instruction.

At the meeting of the
Legislative Council held
on the 19th November 1919

the Honble Mr Venkatappayya Pantulu moved a resolution "that the Council recommends to His Excellency the Governor-in-Council that provision be made permitting institutions preparing candidates for Secondary School Leaving Certificate public examination to adopt vernacular as the medium of instruction, if they so desire, in all non-language subjects and in that case, allowing the candidates appearing for the public examination from such institutions to answer the question papers in those subjects in vernacular." The D.P.I. then noted that there is nothing either in the Madras Educational rules or in the Secondary School Leaving Certificate Scheme which precludes the management of any high school from making provision for preparing candidates for the S.S.L.C. public examination with the vernacular as the medium of instruction and that till then he had received no application from a candidate to answer the question papers of

of the Secondary School-leaving Certificate
public examination in a vernacular.

[Attention is also invited to Sir Henry
Stone's speech extracted on pages 1-2
of the printed notes at slip (F).]

p. 74 of the Resolution was withdrawn.

Council Proceedings, The managers of schools are
(put up) at liberty to teach non-language
subjects either in English or in
vernacular and candidates desirous
of answering papers in those subjects
in the vernacular will be permitted
to do so on application being
made to the F.P.I.

D. P. I.'s note
on p. 2 of J

notes on Res. No. XXXVII
meeting Nov. 1929.

p. 2 note

2. The M.L.C. ~~has~~
suggests that the medium of
examination in all subjects except
the vernacular should continue to
be English. This is opposed to
the spirit underlying the S.S.L.C.
scheme under which ~~it is~~ a candidate
~~to be~~ can be permitted to answer
the non-language subjects in the
vernacular. In this connection
attention is solicited to the
recommendations of the Calcutta
University Commission extracted
on

on page 2 of the printed notes placed below (F) from which it will be observed that the ~~Commission~~ ^{Commission} are of opinion that the vernacular should be the medium of instruction in general throughout the high schools except for the teaching of English and of Mathematics, which, during the last four years of the course, should be conducted in English. As regards the medium of examination, the ~~Commission~~ ^{Commission} recommend that candidates should be permitted to answer either in the vernacular or in English except in the subjects of English and of Mathematics in which English should be compulsory. The Senate, while accepting the recommendation in regard to the medium of instruction, have resolved that candidates should be given the option of answering either in the vernacular or in English ^{(except in the subject of English in which English should be compulsory, and in the} ~~English and Mathematics papers)~~ ^{the} the Senate would allow candidates to answer papers in Mathematics also in the vernacular. The file

p. 2 of (F)

papers in which the use of vernacular is compulsory,

with Secy

118



Law (edu) No 2175B-1

27-7-21

No 392

28.7.21

207/14-21



2256

6

on the subject is separately under consideration.

3 The first part of the resolution is unnecessary and the second part seems unacceptable in view of the Senate's recommendation & this is a matter for orders whether any further information should be called for, whether the resolution should be discussed in the Cabinet and as to who will take charge of it.

4
5
6
7
8
9
10
11
12
13
14
15
16
17
18
19
20
21
22
23
24
25
26
27
28
29
30
31
32
33
34
35
36
37
38
39
40
41
42
43
44
45
46
47
48
49
50
51
52
53
54
55
56
57
58
59
60
61
62
63
64
65
66
67
68
69
70
71
72
73
74
75
76
77
78
79
80
81
82
83
84
85
86
87
88
89
90
91
92
93
94
95
96
97
98
99
100

26.7.21

27.7.21

27.7.21

27.7.21

27.7.21

U.O. Reply No.

The mover wishes that managers of schools be given the option of having as medium of instruction the vernacular or English in non-language subjects. They already have that option.

He desires that the medium of examination in all subjects except the vernacular should continue to be in English. As already noted I prefer that more elasticity than is suggested by the mover and more freedom than is suggested by him should be permitted in matters educational.

May be sent to H₃ for order

Resⁿ withdrawn. 20.7.21

To

THE SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT,

The Law (Edn) DEPARTMENT.

The following is the result of the debate on Resolution No.

Resolution.

Medium of instruction in private schools.

Mr. W. VIJAYARAGHAVA MUDALIYAR :—

86 [146] That this Council recommends to the Government that managers of schools be given the option of having as medium of instruction in schools either the Vernacular or English in non-language subjects, but that the medium of examination in all subjects except the Vernacular should continue to be in English.

Res^{was} not moved ^{was} therefore deemed to have been withdrawn

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL OFFICE,

1-9 1921.

L. Swamikannu

Secretary to the Legislative Council.

Law (Edn) Dept

The notes may now be

*Order 1295
mis 14-9-21*

Recorded.

1029/21

*DA
7-9-21*

L.C. meeting, September 1921

*Resolution - medium of
instruction in schools
and medium of examination -
not moved -
papers recorded.*

When given for copying _____
 When copied _____ } 192 .
 When examined _____
 When signed _____

READ AGAIN G.O. No. _____ DATED _____
 192 .

CURRENT No. _____

ENCLOSURES TO G. No. _____

ORDER OF GOVERNMENT A A A A A A A

LETTERS OF GOVERNMENT, _____

STATEMENT WITH DITTO. _____

PAPERS NOT FILLED UP, BEING MEANT FOR DESPATCH
 IN ORIGINAL.

N.B.—

A = Copy in full.
 B = Not to be copied.
 P = Copy abstract only.
 Q = Copy heading only.