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Legislative Council Question. - September 1921.

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Legislative Council Office.

Question No. 443 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. 1864-6 dated 22-7-21

To The Law (Edn.) Department.

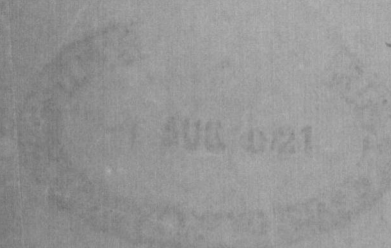
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The Law (Education) Department

443. To ask the Hon'ble the Minister for Education i--

(a) whether the attention of the Government has been drawn to the article in the "Madras Mail" of Monday the 27th June 1921 headed "Government Muhammadan College, Madras" regarding the results of the Intermediate Examination of April 1921;

(b) whether the Government ~~will be~~ ^{propose} ~~please~~ to look into the matter and sanction an Assistant to the English Professor ^{to} ~~and~~ set right ~~the~~ matters ~~concerned~~.

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Clause (a):

Please see the cuttings from the 'Madras Mail' of the 27th June 1921 at Slip D. The answer may be 'Yes' "The Govt have perused the article in question"

Clause (b):

The case may go to the S.P. 2. for remarks and for furnishing a draft answer.

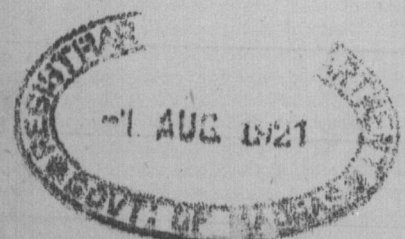
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U.O. Reply No.

At the end of June when this letter appeared ---it appeared in Justice dated 23rd June 1921 before it appeared in the Madras Mail---I called for the remarks of the Principal of the College upon it. They are as follows:-

Insufficiency of English staff:- Nineteen periods are provided for English work, of which eleven are required for lecture and correction of composition. In the remaining eight periods the classes write compositions, or work in the library under



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under supervision.

So long as the numbers in the classes remain small, all this work could be done by one lecturer, but if the lecturer is also the principal, the Principal cannot profitably undertake all the English work as well as his own duties.

As, however, the Logic lecturer has only six lecture periods a week, it is possible to enlist his services. At present he is in charge of six of the English periods, leaving the Principal thirteen.

Some assistance in teaching English is thus required but there is not enough work for an additional whole-time lecturer.

Oriental languages. In this branch of work there are 44 classes but by combining classes where it is desirable, the number has been reduced to 40. Arabic, Persian and Urdu are taught in the Intermediate, and Arabic and Urdu in the B.A. classes. The 'Oriental Professor' is responsible for most of the B.A work and has a sufficiently full programme of 14 lectures a week. The work of his assistants is mainly in the Intermediate classes and is undoubtedly lighter, but there is too much work for one assistant.

I am of opinion therefore that for the working of the classes, as they are at present constituted, the college is neither under nor over-staffed.

Accommodation:- The accommodation is admittedly only temporary. It is unsuitable and inadequate, but I understand that plans for a new building have been engaging the attention of Government and I trust that construction will be begun this year.

Lights and fans:- The temporary lecture rooms are small and in the hot weather the atmosphere within them becomes unpleasant and unhygienic. The installation of fans would undoubtedly improve working condition,

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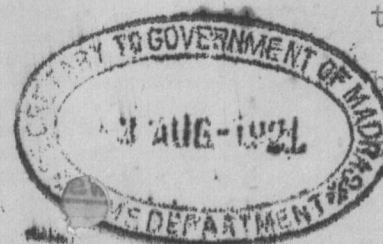
but I do not see any need at present for putting in electric light.'

I cannot support the appointment of an additional lecturer in English nor do I subscribe to the presumption of the writer of the letter that the students are backward in English on account of an insufficiency in the staff to teach English.

I suggest the following reply to (b):-

'The matters referred to in the letter in question are receiving the attention of Government.'

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The following draft answer to Subd. for approval:-

- (a) The Govt. have perused the article in question
- (b) The matters referred to in the question are receiving the attention of Govt.

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Government Muhammadan College, Madras.

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(a) whether the attention of the Government has been drawn to the article in the *Madras Mail* of Monday, the 27th June 1921, headed "Government Muhammadan College, Madras," regarding the results of the Intermediate Examination of April 1921; and

(b) whether the Government propose to look into the matter and sanction an Assistant to the English Professor to set right matters.

A.—(a) The Government have perused the article in question.

(b) The matters referred to in the question are receiving the attention of Government.

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