

Law (1921) Department.
Education

Ordinary SERIES.

G.O. No. 1750

DATED 6-12-21

INDEXED

(30)

[Despatch Abstract.]

Medical inspection of schools.-

Recommendations of the Financial Relations
Committee - appointment of three medical inspectors -
Notes recorded.

BACK PAPERS.

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

FURTHER PAPER

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

Extract from the Report of the Financial Relations Committee

X X X X X

School Inspection

121. The state of things revealed by the Surgeon-General's personal investigations require immediate remedy, and we would urge that the experimental scheme proposed by him should be brought into operation without delay.

122. So long as the scheme is experimental, the expense should be borne by the State. ~~The~~ Medical officers entrusted with such duties must be specially trained, and the salary offered should attract competent men. It is impossible at present to forecast what the expense will be when a satisfactory system is established, and there is abundant scope for the co-operation of local bodies, with another, and of voluntary/associations. Provisionally we would suggest that the Government should guarantee half the cost, and that district health committees should provide the rest.

X X X

Proceedings of the Board of Public Health, Madras,
dated the 5th January 1921.

Resolution 2.--Medical inspection of school children.— That the scheme sanctioned in G.O. 1014 home (Education), dated 4-9-1920 should be proceeded with, but that the allowance should be raised to Rs.200.

The Surgeon-General should be asked to advise in consultation with the Director of Public Instruction as to the form in which the information regarding the results of inspection should be presented.

F.J.R.
5-1-21



10090

Received.....1921. Registered.....1921.

Abstract.

Medical Inspector of schools -- proposal to increase pay and allowances -- vetoed.

LAW (EDUCATION) DEPARTMENT.

G.O. No. 771,

dated the 13th May 1921.

Read the following papers:—

From the Surgeon General, No. 100-1177, dated 18th December '20

From the " " No. 100-449, dated 11th April 1921.

ORDER:—

The Government see no sufficient reason to reconsider the orders issued in para 3 of G.O. No. 1014 Education, dated 4th September 1920.

(By Order of Government, Ministry of Education)

R. Ramachandra Rao,
Secretary.

To

The Surgeon General, Madras.

Copy to the Local Self Government (Public Health) Department.

Forwarded to the Local Self Government (Public Health) Department.

(By Order)



Senior Superintendent.

R.R.

R.S. G.P.H.)

Lodge.

18/5/21

18/5/

[Signature]

Law(Education)

DEPARTMENT.

C.F.-29.

Received



Registered 191

Subject.

Requesting that in the circumstances explained early orders of Government are solicited on the question of the -- appointment of the medical Inspectors.

ENCLOS RES.

No.

R.C. No. 4203/20

Spare copies

Station Madras, Dated the 8th July 1921.

From (Name) R. Littlehales Esq. M.A.,

(Designation) Director of Public Instruction,
Madras.

To The Secretary to the Government of Madras,

Law(Education) Department.

Sir,

(R) In their order No.1014 Home(Education) dated 4-9-20 Government sanctioned the deputation for a period of -- 2 years of 3 assistant Surgeons for the medical inspection of Government Secondary Schools. The Surgeon General has since informed me that no suitable civil assistant -- (R) Surgeon would accept the terms offered in G.O.No.1014 Home(Judicial) dated 4-9-20 and that therefore the matter was again being referred to Government. The treatment of the medical inspection of schools as regards (1) the inspection of Government schools, (2) the supervision - and co-ordination of the inspection aided schools, (3) the co-ordination --

5/
co-ordination of the reports received from medical inspectors with a view to incorporating ^{the} gist of them in the Administration Report on Public Instruction and (4) the issue of further -- instructions regarding medical inspection has been retarded -- because the Surgeon General has not been able to appoint the necessary medical inspectors. // I have the honour therefore to request that Government may be pleased to take such action as will ensure that the medical inspection of schools is no longer delayed.

I have the honour to be,

S i r,

Your most obedient servant,

R. S. S. S.

for Director of Public Instruction.

2. File Report - Bureau 10/10/12
(16)
B.P. 4
NOTES.

50

sem

not
8/10 at [unclear]
copy of [unclear]

subject Local Fund (Med) Dept.
Med. inspection of school children - [unclear] 122 of
F. & C. Report

The attention of the Home (Ed) Dept. may
be invited to the remarks in paras 119 to
122 of the accompanying report of the
Financial Relations Committee and it is
submitted, that they may be requested to
state what has already been done in
regard to the medical inspection of school
children and what they propose to do
on the recommendations in paragraphs 121
and 122 of the report.

picf. [unclear]

85
1003417A
22. 11. 30.

21. 11. 30

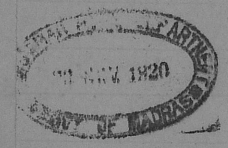
Ed
22. 11.

[unclear]
22.

dpair/p

Home (Ed) no

deal note. 40698-1
22. 11. 30



[unclear]

Home (Education) Dept.

The orders on the subject of the medical inspection of schools are contained in:-

- (6) (1) G.O. No. 1454, Home (Edn), dated 14-11-18.
 (E) (2) ,, 208, ,, dated 12-2-20.
 (Q) (3) ,, 1014, ,, dated 4-9-20.

The scheme of medical inspection approved in the abovementioned orders applies only to secondary schools

The question of extending the system to elementary schools and colleges has been deferred for the present.

2. The Govt. have sanctioned the deputation for a period of 2 years of three specially trained asst. surgeons to conduct the medical inspection of pupils in Govt. secondary schools and in the secondary classes attached to Govt. colleges, to supplement the work of inspection of local medical practitioners employed in aided institutions and ⁱⁿ institutions under local bodies in respect of such portion of the medical inspection as requires special technical training and correlate the work of inspection of schools done by local medical practitioners. A fee of annas 8/ a term will be levied from each pupil in the Govt. secondary school towards the cost of inspection.

3. Grants are paid from Provl. funds to local bodies and managers of aided institutions towards the cost of medical inspection of pupils in schools under their management. The grants are paid subject to the following conditions:-

- (1) The maximum grant payable shall be limited to one-third of the expenditure incurred by the management

Go 1014 (Q)
4-9-20

Go 208 (E)
12-2-20

management subject however to an upper limit of As 4/ for the first inspection of each pupil and of As 2/ for each subsequent inspection.

(2) The award of grants to local bodies for the purpose shall be contingent on the levy of special fees from the pupils in the institutions under their management so as to cover at least one-third of the cost of medical inspection; the levy of such fees in aided institutions will be left to the discretion of the management.

(3) The name of the medical officer selected for inspection shall be submitted to the D.P.I. for approval.

(4) The management of the school shall undertake to maintain the records and submit the returns prescribed for the purpose and to comply with all other conditions that might be imposed in this regard by Govt. or their authorised officers.

4. A provision of Rs. 70,000 ^{has been made} in the current year's budget to meet the cost of medical inspection of schools. In the next year's budget, the D.P.I. ^{has} proposed a lump provision of Rs. one lakh for the purpose.

5. Last year medical inspection was conducted in 50 secondary schools in 12 districts of the Presidency.

6. Reference is made in ^{para} 121 of the Report to an experimental scheme framed by the Surgeon-General. It is not clear what scheme is referred to. There are no new proposals now under the consideration of Govt. ~~arrangements for the purpose have been made~~

Arrangements set out above ~~as they~~ have been mly. recently approved and sufficient experience has not been had of their working.

NB
19/11/20

Q
20-11-20

Go 385 (M)
25-3-20

2
The experimental scheme proposed by Mr. Surg. Genl. is probably the scheme now being tried.

2. Without in any way committing the D.P.S. on one side or Govt. on the other side, my personal view is that the present arrangements are very inadequate.

- i. Only ^{govt.} secondary schools are affected.
- ii. The class of medical men attending other schools may not be all that is desirable.
- iii. The progress of the scheme is hampered by the provision for contributions.

I for my own part consent to the first sentence of para 122.

my 11/12/20

Ltm

Ltm (Surg. Genl.)

The S.G. has since reported that he has not been able to give effect to the scheme sanctioned in G.O. 1074 of 4-9-20 for two reasons:-

- 1) that the allowance of Rs 100 sanctioned for the med. inspectors is quite insufficient and

6 2) that no orders were passed as to the pay and allowances to be granted to the officers while undergoing special training.

This report is being sent for orders separately.

2. As regards the Financial Relations Committee's proposal that the whole cost of the experiment should be borne by the state, attention is invited to para 9 to 11 of G.O. 1074 of 4-9-20 wherein a similar ~~the same~~ proposal was specifically raised. ~~by the Govt.~~ and negated by the Govt. The Education Dept. may perhaps be requested to consider whether the question should now be reopened in view of the Committee's recommendation.

100
17/12/20

The decision seems desir-
ing of reconsideration. The
orders already passed attempt to
divide the cost of medical
inspection into 3 shares -
one to be borne by Govt., one
by the local body and the
third by the pupils in the

shape of a fee. These needless complications are neither warranted by any principles nor necessitated by any deeply considerations of a financial character. Two alternatives may, I think, be considered viz.

(1) The FRC's recommendation that, so long as the scheme is in an experimental stage, the whole cost should be borne by Govt; or

(2) The cost of medical inspection should be added to the ordinary expenditure of a secondary school and affect the calculation of the 'net cost' which will be shared in the proportions that may be decided on.

If we cannot have (1) immediately and (2) as an ultimate arrangement, we may at least

13.7
press for (2) as both the immediate and ultimate arrangement.

So much as regards secondary schools. Medical inspection in Ely schools is a more difficult problem. It should be possible to make a start in Municipal areas. The financing in this case should presumably come out of the Elementary Education Fund of the particular local body.

Then this is a matter for the decision of the local authority which controls the fund.

H.L.
1.1.21

See Resoln of BPH below

H.L.

Action on the Resolution is being taken separately i.e. in connection with the S.G.'s report referred to in para. 1 of the office note on pp 4-5.

2) With reference to the Special Officer's note above, regarding the cost of the experimental scheme of medical inspection of schools, the case may be sent

u. o. b. law (Education) Dept. for

forwards of necessary action.

CUB
11.1.21

km
11.1.21

Law (Ed) no

S.
BRR
11/1/21

Law (Education) Department

In para.122 of their report, the Financial Relations Committee recommended that so long as the scheme of medical inspection is experimental, the expense should be borne by the State and, that when a satisfactory system is established, the Government should guarantee half the cost and that district health committees should provide the rest.

2. Under the orders issued in G.O.No.208, dated 12-12-20, the Government ~~xxx~~ contribution is restricted to one-third of the cost of medical inspection in secondary schools, the remaining two-thirds being met partly by the management and partly from special fees levied from pupils. The question whether the levy of special fees from pupils may be dispensed with was fully discussed in the notes on pages 9--11 of notes to G.O.No.1014, dated 4-9-20 and it was finally decided to retain the levy of fees. The Inspector of Municipalities suggests that, if the whole cost of the experimental scheme of medical inspection cannot be met from Provincial funds, it should be added to the ordinary expenditure of a secondary school and the net cost thus determined shared between Provincial and Local in the proportion that may be decided on. In the first place it may be pointed out that there are a very

p. 6 rule

large number of institutions which are under private management and the net cost basis cannot well be applied to such institutions. In the case of aided institutions, therefore, a different arrangement will have to be adopted as regards the defrayal of the cost of medical inspection and this will lead to uniformity. ~~THESE INSTITUTIONS SHOULD BE~~ G.O.No.208, dated 12-2-20 ~~will have to be enforced~~ enforce ~~as~~ a uniform procedure in the case of schools under both public and private management.

3. No orders have yet been passed on the proposal of the Finance Relations Committee in para.98 of their report that the net cost of secondary schools under local bodies should be shared between Provincial and Local in the proportion of 3 to 1. At present the amount of subsidy to be granted is determined with reference to the financial position of each institution and of the local body concerned and, so long as the present procedure continues, the order in G.O.No.208, dated 12-2-20 will have to be maintained.

The question of the medical inspection of ~~scholarship~~ pupils in elementary schools may be left to the Educational Councils to be constituted under the Elementary Education Act.

Seeing that the question so far as secondary schools is concerned is submitted for reconsideration, I would, subject to view, again press for the adoption of the same

of para 122. It is just a few days
also that I met a mungy member
of a Comm & he scoffed at our
proposal. We have yet to
demonstrate the benefits of this
inspection

20/1/21

[Signature]

ad. m. w. 03419-2
23.1.21

File 69213
21.1.21

Finance Dept

The existing arrangements in regard
to the medical inspection of schools are
clearly set out in the previous notes.

Extract at flap (17)

2. As regards the Financial Relations
Committee's proposal that the whole cost
of the scheme of medical inspection should
be borne by the Govt so long as the sch
is experimental, attention is invited to
pages 9 to 11 of notes to Govt No. 1014 No.
(204) Ds 4.9.20 wherein a similar
proposal was considered by Govt. a
negatived on financial grounds. We ha
not yet had sufficient experience
the working of the existing arrange
and it is ^{doubtful} ~~for consideration~~ whether
the position taken up so lately as Septem

Q

last should be reconsidered now.

2. If the entire cost of medical
inspection (we have not even got a
rough estimate of cost) is to be met
from Provincial funds, the operation
of the scheme will have to be
limited for the present to a few
districts & the funds which the
Govt can now make available for
the purpose is very limited.
The utmost we can agree to is to
~~that we cannot, however, to be no objection~~
to adopting the Committee's suggestion
that the Govt. should guarantee
half the cost, if district health
Committees will provide the other
half.

vide B in para 122 of
the Committee's report
at ~~last~~ ^{pl} CF.

3. In the budget for 1921-22 there
is a provision of Rs 70,000 out of which
the cost of any scheme that will be
approved can be met.

ues
19.3.21
CRB
19.3.21

[Signature]
21/3/21

The Financial Relations Committee
suffered, I think, from a confusion
of terms. It is only in a very restricted
sense that the present system can

be called "experimental." It is presumably the nearest we can get to following on English lines & is only experimental in the sense that it is not complete - the funds are insufficient, the number of doctors available as inspectors is small & the qualifications of some of them are doubtful. There is therefore less reason why P.H. funds should contribute more to the scheme now than there would be if it was complete.

It however is only concerned in seeing that the expenditure does not ~~exceed~~ exceed the budget provision & that no scheme for adding to the recurring charges is sanctioned without proper examination. Apparently ~~we~~ may expect some time a proposal to increase the inspectors' fees, but that is not now under discussion (How a question of market prices came before the T.H.B. is difficult to imagine)

R.S.L.
1/4/21

L.M.

L.S.G. (P.H.) Dept.

The file may be forwarded to Home (Edl) a.o. ~~for~~

~~to be of no use~~

W.L.H. 1/4/21

J. B.R.N.
1/4/21

Has the allotment been spent?

Has any inspection been done? Have any inspectors been appointed? Have any report on the results of inspection been published? Did not the P.H.C.C. have something to say about this?

F.J.R. - 21-4-21

W.S.

Please see the ^(P.H.) report of the D.P. 9. on page 16 inspect giving an account of the work hitherto done on the subject of medical inspection of schools. No special report appears to have been published. The allotment is intended for payment of grants to local & private inspectors & will be spent gradually as claims are made. In P.O. No 771 Edn 27/12/20, the Govt. has declined to raise the allowances of the medical inspectors appointed under £5 10/4 or 4/9-20. The S.G. had reported that unless this allowance is raised, competent men cannot be secured. No officers appear to have been appointed as yet.

3. The P.H.C.C. desired that ~~the~~ full information as to the steps taken by the Ed. Dept. should be laid before the Council at its next meeting. A copy of the resolution is being separately sent to the Law (Edn) Dept asking for full information.

4. For orders whether this file may lie over till the next meeting of the P.H.C.C.

Kor
2/1/21

J. B.R.N.
26/1/21

p3 CF.

(2)

Res. 2(c) on p29 (L)

2/20-1/21
dist for
Sept.
B.R.N.

Dist. for
Sept.
B.R.N.

VS
Please attach
W
2/5

Report on Public Health
sent to S.G. in No. 88A-1
T.T.U.

Office of the Surgeon-General
with the Government of Madras.

110. No 100/J. 49
20.5.11. May 1921.

"Returned perused."

2. A copy of D.O.No.B of 30th April from Mr. Little-
hailes furnishing information as to what has been done
in the way of school medical inspection throughout the
Presidency is enclosed".



1.0.1

12.5.21

16.5.21

L.S.G. (P.H.)

Sub mitted that the papers may now be
larger copies forwarded.

17.5.21

pro.

D.O.No.B.

Office of the Director of Public
Instruction,
The Old College, Nungambakkam,
Madras, 30th April 1921.

My dear Giffard,

In reply to your letter of the 9th instant asking me to
give you some idea of what is being done or has so far been done in
the way of school medical inspection throughout the Presidency I
write to give you the following information:-

108 schools have appointed medical inspectors. 49 medical
inspection reports have been received of which only 38 give full
details. The total number of secondary schools which could have been
inspected is 538, so that not very much progress has been made up
to the present.

In all 8757 pupils have been examined out of a total possibly
of 1,64,624 scholars.

It may be furthermore noted:-

(1) parents do not appear to have been notified to seek
medical advice in cases where their children are suffering from
eye-defects or bodily ailments;

(2) that we have no information as to how far headmasters
carry out the instructions of medical inspectors regarding the segre-
gation of pupils etc.

Some of the reports taken at random have been scrutinised and
they show that between 40 and 50 per cent of the pupils are diseased
in some way or the other. Most of the reports show a very large
number of cases of mal-nutrition.

Yours sincerely

(Sd) R.Littlehailes.

To

Major-General G.G.Giffard, C.S.I.,

Surgeon-General with the Government of Madras,

Clement House, Nungambakkam.

There are two matters which have been engaging the attention of this office in connection with Public Health which the D.P.I. is interested, namely (1) medical inspection of school children, (the subject matter of this file), and

(2) the teaching of hygiene in schools. There is a file on this subject, I believe, containing a resolution of the Consultative Committee of Public Health on the subject.

I would suggest that Mr. Littlehales be invited to attend the next meeting of the Public Health Board, which, I would suggest, should meet on the second Wednesday in June, 8th proximo, as the Hon'ble the Minister is not likely to be present in Cety on the June 1st.

M₂

11.30.5.21

28.5

Secy.

A note for circulation to members of the PHB. and a draft do. to the D.P.O. are submitted for approval. The latter may come with the concurrence of Law (Edw) Secy.

for 31/5/21

Law (Edw) Secy.

Law (Edw) Secy

accepted

3/6/21

LSG (PH)

Law Camp No.
86-1
3.6.21

Dr.

My dear Littlehales,

I am desirous to request you to be so good as to be present at the meeting of the Board of Public Health to be held at 11 AM on Wednesday the 8th June in the room of the Hon'ble the Minister for L.S.G. at Stone House, when the following subject will come up for discussion:-
Med inspection of school children.

A brief note on the subject is enclosed for reference.

Yours sincerely

1.5

for 31/5/21

R. Littlehales Esq M.A., M.P.
Director of P. Instn.
Hon Secy, Chub.
(with encd).

Mr. G. J. Jones
Secretary

for
11/11/11

19
24
Note for the Public Health Board

Medical Inspection of School Children

The arrangements for the medical inspection of school children are at present very incomplete. They apply only to secondary schools. In September last the Govt sanctioned the appointment of three full time medical inspectors to conduct the medical inspection of pupils in Govt schools and to supervise & correlate the work done by the inspectors employed in L.T. & private aided institutions. The S.B. reported in December last that the scheme could not be given effect to owing to the insufficiency of the allowance sanctioned. The Govt have however declined to raise the allowance. The inspectors have not apparently been appointed yet.

2. As regards L.T. & private schools, the arrangements for medical inspection rest with the management, but the Govt give a grant of $\frac{1}{2}$ of the expense subject to a maximum of Rs 4 for the 1st inspection of each pupil and Rs 2 for each subsequent inspection. So far 108 out of 538 schools have appointed medical inspectors, and 8757 pupils have been examined out of a possible 1,64,624 scholars.

PTD

15
3. The F.R. recommended that the entire cost of medical inspection should be borne by the Govt during the experimental stage, and that thereafter the cost should be divided equally between the Govt & local bodies. As an alternative it was suggested that the cost of medical inspection might be added to the ordinary expenditure ~~not not not~~ of each secondary school & the Govt grant calculated on the net cost so arrived at. This has been objected to on the ground that there will be no uniformity as the 'net cost' basis does not apply to private schools. It does not appear likely that the Govt will agree to bear more than half the cost of medical inspection. A scheme has therefore to be worked out on this basis. There is a provision of Rs 20,000 for the purpose for 1911-12.

4. Another question has been raised in this connection as to whether local bodies should be compelled to pay fees to their medical officers for the work of school medical inspection. The work does not properly form part of the ordinary duties of officers in charge of hospitals or dispensaries, but a particular local body has refused to pay fees on the ground that the medical officer is a full time servant of the local board & should do all work required of him. Rules can be framed to compel payment

This has been dealt with in a separate file.

10 26 21
offer for med inspection, but this may
lead to a demand from local bodies to
recruit their own med officers instead of
having to employ Govt med subordinates.

for
11/1/21

4/2/21
1.6.21

PTD.

24
The Scout

The Boy Scouts have a proficiency test for the Healthman Badge.

The draft rule runs in the terms of the copy enclosed. I intend taking steps at a very ^{early} date to induce all District Scout Commissioners and District Councils to get the troops under them to qualify for this test.

In addition to the syllabus I consider it necessary that scouts before they are given the badge should be tested practically by taking them to some insanitary locality and ask them to point out what the sanitary defects are. I think this side of the training requires a little elaboration and more emphasis should be laid on it.

The question has also to be considered, as to who is to train the boys for this test and who is to examine them. I don't wish to officialise the scout movement in any way and the services of trainers and examiners should of course be given gratuitously, but I think it would be useful to elaborate a little on this syllabus and give a rather clearer indication as to the lines on which instruction should be given. It is particularly important in India that the training and examination should concentrate on the practical side and not degenerate into the cramming of papers knowledge and essay writing.

I also propose requiring all candidates for the tests a knowledge of the contents of the pamphlets issued by the Health and Welfare Association and of the Publicity Bureau and I am inclined to think it will be useful to get the Publicity Board to prepare additional pamphlets that will cover the whole syllabus and take the place of a text-book.

I want to go cautiously in this matter as it is most necessary to make the subject interesting.

The question is coming up on Wednesday before the Public Health Board at which Littlehales has been asked to be present.

teaching of
mini as to how far
be retained without over
without making the preparation for the test an addi
extension of school tasks. I hope you will be able to
me your views on the subject on Wednesday next.

Yours sincerely

To

Aspd 1584. + 8.c.
Lynne.

§
13.6.21

18
(1) PUBLIC HEALTH must pass a written test and sh
satisfactory authenticated record of practical service pe
on the basis of the following syllabus:--

- (a) COMMUNICABLE DISEASES.--Conditions favouring the
of infection from air, water, food, clothes, et
as carriers of disease; preventive measures; ge. at
disinfecting of sputa and discharges; isolation of the
sick; general modes of disinfection.
- (b) INFECTIOUS DISEASES.--Period of incubation; natural immuni
and acquired immunity; inoculation, methods of and
reasons for; vaccination and small-pox; vaccine lymph;
modes of infection; period of infectivity; protection;
prophylaxis. PLAGUE.--Causation, pests, rats, fleas;
seasonal variation; conditions favouring spread;
varieties of plague; prophylaxis; campaign against rats
rat-proof and rat-free houses; rat-poison; flea-poison;
rat-trapping; evacuation of houses; inoculation.
CHOLERA.--Modes of infection; prevention; purification
of water; protection of food; disinfection of stools,
comit, clothes, etc.; avoidance of certain foods, etc.
TUBERCULOSIS.--Cause; how spread; how prevented;
treatment by light, air and good food.
- (c) DISINFECTION.--Various disinfectants, natural, physical,
chemical, liquid, gaseous and solid; examples; methods
of use; infection of sputa, etc.
- (d) AIR.--Composition; impurities; diseases caused by
breathing impure air; how to purify air; ventilation
and its importance.
- (e) WATER.--Sources; impurities; diseases due to drinking
impure water, purification of water; filters; boiling;
chemicals.
- (f) FOOD.--Food values necessary for health; sources of
contamination; prevention; diseases due to bad or
inadequate food.
- (g) DISPOSAL OF HOUSE-REFUSE.--Incinerator; dry earth closet
pail; privies; bathrooms; latrines; methods of cleansing
and disinfecting; dangers from exposed faecal matter, etc.
- (h) MALARIA.--How spread; mosquitoes; varieties; how bred
and where; prevention of breeding; prevention of bites;
use of quinine.

Proceedings of the 10th meeting of the Board of Public Health, held at Stonehouse Hill, Octacamund, dated the 15th June 1921.

Present

1. The Hon'ble the Minister for Local Self Govt.
 2. Mr. W. Hutton
 3. Col. T.B. Symons
 4. Major A.J.B. Russell
 5. Mr. F.J. Richards.
- Mr. Littlehailles was also present.

Prior to the arrival of the hon'ble the Minister the following matters were informally discussed.

(1) Mr. Hutton represented the inconvenience of handling notes typed on Rice Paper, and recommended that in future the notes for members should be printed prior to circulation among the members. The members present agreed that this should, if possible, be done.

19 30
(2) Mr. Littlehailles' views were invited on the motion III(1) of Committee No.V of the Consultative Co. of Public Health, that hygiene should be taught in all both elementary and secondary.

Mr. Littlehailles informed the Board that in elementary schools, hygiene was included within the scope of Elementary Science as a compulsory subject. Hygiene was also intended to be taught in secondary schools as an optional subject and he agreed that textbooks ~~must~~ exist. Hygiene is also taught to elementary school teachers while under training.

Mr. Littlehailles promised to supply the Board with such information as he could obtain regarding the syllabus of hygiene and the scope of the instruction given.

The syllabus prescribed in the rules of the South India Boy Scouts Association for the Public Healthman Test, was placed before the meeting. The syllabus was prepared in the first instance by Major Russell himself. It was considered that the syllabus might possibly be reduced in bulk and Major Russell promised to scrutinise it again.

The proposal that pamphlets issued by the Health and Welfare Association and the Publicity Bureau might be utilised as a basis for instruction in hygiene, commended itself generally to the meeting. The Sanitary Commissioner, the Surgeon-General and the Director of Public Instruction asked that they might be furnished with files of these pamphlets. It was agreed in general terms that pamphlets useful for instruction in boys' and girls' schools, both elementary and secondary, and for boy scouts should be selected from the file and included in the syllabus and that the Health and Welfare Association should be invited to draw up further pamphlets which would cover the most important subjects prescribed for instructions in the Boy Scout syllabus.

Resolution of the P.H. Board 2/15-6-21. 29 27

(7) Medical inspection of school children.

Resolution.

(1) Recommended that the resolutions results of the inspection should be communicated by the D.P.I.

(2) That as a condition precedent to the preparation of any report, the three medical inspectors already sanctioned by Government should be appointed without further delay, and that the grant of such allowance as the Surgeon-General finds sufficient to attract suitable men is essential for the working of the scheme,

and (3) that medical officers in the employ of local bodies should, if required, do school inspection in addition to their ordinary duties, be paid remuneration at the same rates as other medical practitioners employed in such work.

Notes.

The Board considered it essential that the results of the inspection should be communicated to the Medical Dept. and to the local bodies concerned, with a view to adopting special remedial measures in case any particular ailment was unusually prevalent in a particular institution or locality.

Dealt with in
a separate file.

20

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS

D.O. 75-1 P.H.

Local Self Government Department,
Cotacamund,
16th June 1921.

My dear Littlehales,

I propose of the discussion at this morning's meeting of the Public Health Board regarding the teaching of Hygiene, I should be glad if you could furnish the Board at your earliest convenience with such general information as you can readily obtain regarding the teaching of Hygiene in boys' and girls' schools, both elementary and secondary and in the course of the training of teachers for elementary and secondary schools, the place it holds in Elementary Science and the textbooks on the subject of which your department approves. It would be useful also to know approximately to what extent this subject is actually taught now in this Presidency in various classes of schools.

I enclose for your reference a file of Publicity Bureau pamphlets on public health matters.

Believe me,

Yours sincerely,

To A. Littlehales Esq.

42/66

D.O. No. *7/60*



Ootacamund,
ROOARAKKAL,
MADRAS.

26-6-21 19

*Pajers. 11-
is not used
and is not used
in dear
with reference to the pay of the Medical Inspectors of Schools.
I see Surgeon-General Giffard in a letter dated 20th December 1920 to
Government states that he is unable to carry out the terms stated
by Government for two reasons:-*

(1) that the pay offered by Government viz., Rs.100 per month
is absolutely insufficient to tempt any Assistant Surgeon to take up
the work

(2) As Assistant Surgeons have to do special training they
should be placed on the same level as the present Superintendent of
the Chingleput Reformatory.

called for from Madras
~~on this~~ Government in an order No.1065, dated the 4th September
1919 granted the present occupier of the appointment Dr. Krishna
Warrior a remuneration of Rs.600 a month consolidated pay.

I am entirely in agreement with General Giffard's proposals
and

22

2.

Equal to the suggest that Government should reconsider their order, offering these inspectors Rs.100 a month, and pay them a consolidated pay as above. The men appointed would not be allowed private practice. They will have a lot of travelling about and the work they will have to perform would be, shall I say monotonous, but at the same time most important, and if we want a good man to do this work Government must be prepared to pay.

Yours sincerely,

T. B. Srinivas

22/12/22

W.S.

Please see Resolution 7 (2) of the P.H.B. on page 27 ante.

(Y)

2 In Co. 771 dated 12-5-24, the Govt declined to raise the allowance of the med inspectors above Rs 100. HE. He has however noted as follows in that connection "I think Rs 100 should be enough. If it is found to be insufficient we might

pu of notes in
Co. 771
12-5-24.

reconsider

W. 2-5-21.

3. There is nothing on records to show that the S.G. has made an attempt to give effect to the scheme by posting suitable officers. He merely says that he is unable to carry out the scheme unless a remuneration of Rs 600 is given to each inspector.

4. Under the revised scale of pay of Civil Assistants, several senior officers will draw Rs 450 a month. The allowance of Rs 100 already sanctioned will raise their emoluments to Rs 550. This is only Rs 50 less than what is asked for by the S.G. There is therefore no reason why the scheme should not be given a trial with the allowance of Rs 100 sanctioned by the Govt. If after some experience, the working is found unsatisfactory, the question of enhancing the allowance may be considered.

5. The case may be transferred to the Law (Ed.) Dept for disposal.

Kor
30/1/21.

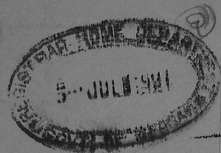
J.
30/1/21.

I am enclosed etc etc

I don't agree.

They have got to be raised first & I am certainly not for having them with any prospect of their getting out of it job as some of them are gentle!

YK
2-1/21.



scheme will be a failure
in the things laid down
- go to 14 (Ed) 74.9.20.
I presume the Govt do not
woud start the S. G. school
school for the job the man
he has no use to provide.
It woud be impossible for him
to select able & desirable
men. However, it can
be provided by Govt (Ed)

Govt (Ed)

Govt (Ed) Dept.

It is for orders whether the decision in
G.O. No. 771 Eln. dated 12th May 1921 not to
increase the allowance of Civil Asstt. Surgeons
to be employed as medical inspectors of schools
from Rs 100 to Rs 200 p.m. will be reconsidered.
A further communication on the subject since
addressed by the D.P.I. has been added - Vide
pp. 4 & 5 c.f.

2. The Board of Public Health which met on
the 15th June 1921 has not expressed any opinion
on the recommendations of the Financial Relations
Committee that the cost of medical inspection of
school children should in the experimental stage
be entirely met by the State. The Finance Dept.
is opposed to the proposal. No case has been made
out for re considering the orders in G.O. No. 208
Eln. dated 12-2-20. The proposal may be dropped.
N.K. 25-7-21.

Two S.G. consider his remuneration was agreed
the scheme to succeed must be worked by
men both capable & willing. The question
of remuneration was he reconsidered.

M3

M1

#2

Two reasons on which the S.G. Group
has declined to carry out the scheme:

1. proper forms, and Sargars are not
available for Rs 100/- (2) and and

Sargars have to do special training
a remuneration, Consolidated Salary for S.
Sargars. I am unable to agree to this
The S.G. has not tried the scheme at all
at least we have no information that
he succeeded to appoint men & they refused
to take up the work. Govt passed
orders not very recently, The scheme has
been tried in selected places -

2. The pay of the Sargars is about
Rs 450/- with this addition of Rs 100/- it
makes up Rs 550/- There is therefore not
much difference.

3. The Finance also objected to any
recruitment at present -

27/8/21

(Y)

p. 27 ante

Extract of p. 1, 2 & 3

(E)

Law (Education) Department.

D.O. No. 220/A-2

16.8.21
Dear Col Lyman

Please refer to your d.o. to Mr. Richards No. T/60, dated the 26th June last. In the papers submitted to Govt, there is nothing to show that any attempt was made to ~~make~~ ^{actual} ~~make~~ ^{depute} suitable Civil Asst Surgeons for the work of medical inspection of schools. and that the men selected refused to take up the work on the ground of insufficiency of remuneration. Under the revised scale of pay sanctioned for Civil Asst. Surgeons, several senior ~~will~~ ^{depute} will draw a pay of Rs. 450/- a month, ~~and~~ if posted for the work of medical inspection of schools, they are entitled also to an allowance of Rs. 100/-. Thus their total remuneration will come ^{up} to Rs. 550/- which is only Rs. 50 less than what was recommended by Surgeon-General Giffard. The Govt desire that an earnest endeavour should be made to give effect to the ~~sanction~~ ^{as} scheme sanctioned in G.O. No. 1014 Home (Edn), dated the 4-9-20. I am ^{accordingly} to request you to depute select Civil Asst Surgeons for the work of medical inspection of schools on the scale of pay and allowances

I am inclined to think that a trial may be given to the scheme sanctioned in G.O. 1014 dated 4.9.20.

W. 9.8.21

I think certainly that we shd. ask the S.G. if he has made any effort to get men on the proposed remuneration, if not, let him do so. It's no good saying the scheme is impossible without giving it a chance

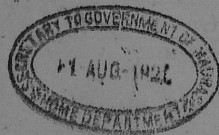
W. 11.8.21

A draft D.O. is subd.

12.8.21
NR
14/8/21

16.8.21
S

16.8.21



35

already sanctioned and to report the names of the officers ~~deputed~~ deputed for the information of Government.

To

Lieut Col. T.H. Symons
O.B.E., I.M.S.
Offg. Surgeon General to
the Govt. of Madras.

Rai
16/8
16/8
16/8

5/28/21
My dear Sir,

4167 A
29.8.21

D.O. No. 533



81, Mount Road, 26

ROYAPETTA,
MADRAS,

25 August '21/9.

with reference to your D.O. 220-A-2 dated 16th August 1921 regarding the deputation of Civil assistant surgeons for the medical inspection of schools, I write to say that a serious attempt was made to select suitable Civil assistant surgeons for the work. A circular was sent out to all District Medical & Sanitary Officers to send up the names of permanent or temporary Civil Assistant surgeons who were willing to take up the appointment. Not a single permanent Civil assistant surgeon volunteered for the appointment on the terms specified. Only temporary Civil assistant surgeon who are not likely to obtain permanent appointments in the near future in the Civil Medical Department volunteered for the work. It should be remembered that Major-General Giffard's recommendation regarding pay (viz. Rs. 600) to be given to Civil assistant surgeons put on this medical inspection duty was made before the pay of Civil assistant surgeons was revised and so does not apply now.

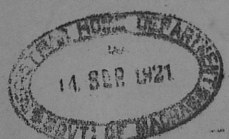
Do Government wish me to select and order permanent Civil assistant Surgeons to do the work or appoint any temporary men who have volunteered. be posted.

Yours sincerely,

T. H. Symons

P.T.O.

S. Gen. 54 C.-1, 1,000-22-0-30.



4167 A
16/8

Edm n/o 4167/A-1 file
21.8.21
18281

29.21 11/21

File given to C.A. for
preparation of note
for the members of
the C.C.A.H.

18281-1 P.H.
14/9/21

70A
10.5.21

below & was be forwarded to Law (Com)

Law (Edm) is. 12/9/21

Law (Edm) Dept.

The main file was furnished

to L.S. S. (P.H.) with Edm n/o
3932/A-1, d/ 25th Aug. 1921. That
Dept. may be requested to put up the

18
31.8.21

L.S. S. is

L.S. S. (P.H.) is

The file referred to above is placed

To

P.C. Dutt Esqr., I.C.S.,

Secretary to Government,

Law (Education) Department,

Fort St. George, Madras.

81

27

Law (Edn) Dept

Submitted for orders. It appears desirable

SR
15.9.21

to detail for the work of medical
inspection only experienced civil

assistant Surgeons. He may ask him
to "select only" from among the permanent Civil Assistants Surgeons
with the Commission of the S.S.

MR
17/9/21

17.9.21
S

SR
20/9/21

289 No

188 Dept

Encl No. 4167A-2
20.9.21.



10000.
Ten.

MR.

The above proposed may perhaps
be agreed to in this Dept. It is not clear
from the S.G.'s too on p 36 ante whether
senior officers declined the job because
they disliked it or because they considered
the allowance of Rs 100 insufficient.

MR
17/9/21

S
TBR
22/9/21

May be tried though I fear
it will prove much more ex-
pensive in the long run. These men
will have to be tried first & if
their appointment to the work
penalizes their pockets they
will do their best to get out of
the job & then training will be
wasted. Now are they likely to

38

make an enthusiastic study
of their specialized profession &
little progress can be made if
it is not studied as a whole
of peculiar difficulty & make
that practical notes is known
in this Presidency
M. W. U. U. Y

Will Law (Ed) please issue order
after showing this Dept the draft.

Law (Ed) 12

Law (Ed) Dept

A draft do. is submitted for approval.
It may be sent to L.S.G. for perusal
before circulation.

88
6.10.21
ms
11/11/21

12.10.21

27 Dec.

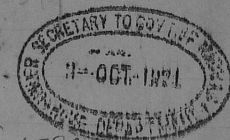
188 Dept.

Submitted

20/10/21

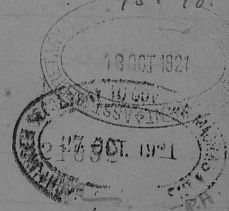
Law (Ed) 12

1963-1 P.H.
4 20-9-21



En 4789 A
8.10.21

En 4167A-3
15.10.21



21652-1 P.H.
26/10/21
En 5204 A

27/10/21

97

98

42
Law (Ed) Dept

For orders as to circulation

88
27.10.21

28/10/21

28.10.21

M. W. U. U. Y



[O.O. No 4167A-1, dated 28.11.21]

No further action is necessary on this file.
The papers may be recorded.

The F.R.C's proposal that
the incidence of cost of medi-
cal inspection is dropped -
para 2, p. 31 *infra*

88
2.12.21

3/12/21

Order No 1750 of 6-12-21

2/12/21

20/10/21

Law (ES) Dept

No 4167 A-4828
General Giffard
My dear Symons

Please refer to your semi-official letter No 533, dated 25th

August 1921, regarding the deputation of Civil Assistant Surgeons for the work of medical inspection of schools.

I am to request you to select in consultation with the D. S. S. three permanent Assistant Surgeons + place them for

study in connection with the work. The selection will be made by the D. S. S. and all expenses will be borne by the Government.

3 of No 1014 Home (ES), dated 6th September 1920.

Yours sincerely

SK
5.10.21
11/11/21

CS
12.10.21

DESPATCHED
29 NOV. 1921

Major General G. G. Giffard C.E.D.
Lt. Col. J. H. Symons
offt Surgeon General
to the Govt of Madras

D.O. No. 728



No. 81, Mount Road,
ROYAPETTA,
MADRAS,
15 November 1921

My dear Mr. Dutt

Reference:- Colonel Symons' D.O. No. 533, dated 25-8-1921 regarding the deputation of Civil Assistant Surgeons for medical inspection of schools.

Will you kindly let me know how the matter stands?

Yours sincerely,

P. C. Dutt

To
P. C. Dutt Esq., I.C.S.,
Secretary to Government,
Law (Education) Department,
Fort St. George, Madras.

S. Gov. 34 C-2, 200-22-2-20.

Law (ES) Dept

The file on the subject referred to above was circulated to H₂ + H₁ on the 5th instant + has not yet returned. The following reply is for approval:-

Dear Col Gray

Your do. No 728, dated 16th 11/21
The question of the deputation

three civil assistant surgeons
for medical inspection of schools
is still under the consideration
of Govt.

Yours sincerely

OK
15-11-21

21/11/21

30

OK
11-11-21
MS
17/11/21

Who is his writer or his above so.
There is too case now - with
M₃ & M₁. It circulated in the
Govt. it was time we get it
back.

21/11/21

The do. on the previous page is from
Col. Gray, Personal Assistant to the
Surgeon-General.

2. It is understood that M₃ has passed
on the file to M₁. The latter may
be informed that the S. G. acts
for early orders on the case. It
now is placed below for circulation
to M₁.

The S. G. alone may receive.

(It was not
possible to
get the case
from the
Govt.)

OK
21-11-21
MS
25/11/21

OK
26-11-21

28/11/21