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UNIVERSITY OF MADRAS

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Enclosures.

FROM

The Registrar,
University of Madras.

TO

The Secretary to Government,
Law (Education) Department.

S i r,

I have the honour, by direction of the Syndicate, to submit under Regulation 5 (d) of Chapter XIV for disposal by His Excellency the Governor in Council the accompanying application from the Vaniyambadi Muhammadan Educational Society for the affiliation of the Islamiah College, Vaniyambadi, in Group iii (Histories, Logic, Urdu and Persian) of the Intermediate Courses, together with copies of Proceedings of the Syndicate and the Senate on the subject and of the report submitted by the Syndicate to the Senate.

At its Special Meeting held on the 21st January 1921, the Senate recorded its opinion that the affiliation may be granted by the Government.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

K. Ramunni Menon
Ag. Registrar.

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University of Madras.

Report of the Syndicate upon the application from the Vaniyambadi Muhammadan Educational Society for the affiliation of the Islamiah College, Vaniyambadi in Group iii (Histories, Logic, Urdu and Persian) of the Intermediate Courses.

The Syndicate reports the following correspondence relative to this application :—

Letter without date from the Correspondent to the College Committee of the Islamiah College, Vaniyambadi, to the Registrar, University of Madras.

I have the honour, under the direction and on behalf of the Vaniyambadi Muhammadan Educational Society, to request that the Islamiah College at Vaniyambadi, which commenced work on July 21, 1919, may be affiliated to the University of Madras for the purpose of preparing students for the Intermediate Examination in Arts of the University in Part I-A: English language and literature; Part I-B: Vernacular Composition in Tamil and Urdu and Translation into English from Persian and Part II Group iii: Ancient History, Modern History, Logic, Urdu and Persian.

2. This College has been started by the Vaniyambadi Muhammadan Educational Society in response to the wish, widely expressed in many quarters, that the Muslim Youth of South India should have a residential college—which should provide him with facilities for taking advantage of the benefits of Modern English University Education on sound Western Lines and qualifying himself for the Arts Degrees of the University of Madras. This view found definite expression in a Resolution unanimously passed at an important session of the Muhammadan Educational conference of South India held in 1916 at Vaniyambadi, which "deemed it the duty of all Muslims belonging to the various provinces and Native States in the South to extend to the Madrasa their material and moral support, so as to enable its management to raise it to the status of an Islamiah College." In view of this Resolution and of the strength of Muhammadan opinion in favour of the resolution, the Executive Committee of the Vaniyambadi Muhammadan Educational Society, at a meeting held on January 28, 1917, resolved, after a full and careful consideration of the whole matter, to raise the High School under their management to a College. Since then, the Society were making the necessary arrangements and started the college from the current University year.

3. Though this college has been started primarily for satisfying the educational needs of the Muslim community and though it is intended to provide facilities for the development of the religious, moral and cultural influence of Islam to the Muslim youth, side by side with, and without any prejudice to, the regular secular education, the Institution is not intended to be, by any means, exclusive or sectarian in character. All students will be admitted to the college, irrespective of religion, race, colour, caste or creed, and the religious susceptibilities of non-Muslim students would not be interfered with. After a careful and prolonged consideration, it has been decided to locate the college at Vaniyambadi, the centre of Muslim influence in South India, where ample facilities exist for the acquisition and construction of suitable buildings and where living is far cheaper than in the Presidency Town, a point of considerable importance to Muslim students, as the failure of the Muslim community to take advantage of the benefits of higher University Education has been due mainly to the poverty of that community. In addition to this, it has the benefit of offering a life simple and inexpensive to teachers who have consecrated their services to the advancement of education.

4. The College is under the control and management of the Vaniyambadi Muhammadan Educational Society, an Association incorporated under the Government of India Act XXI of 1860 for the purpose of encouraging and improving the mental and moral welfare of the Muslim youth. This Society formally came into being in 1905 and is, at present, the only influential non-official body interested in Muhammadan Education in South India. It has been maintaining from its funds, in its own grounds and building at Vaniyambadi, a fully-equipped High School, which has been recognised by the Government Educational Department and is receiving grant-in-aid from Government and which is open to pupils of all classes and communities. The Society is now possessed of considerable properties, yielding a large fixed annual income, acquired mainly

y the generosity and self-sacrifice of the Vaniyambadi Muhammadan Community and the Society has ventured to start this college only after satisfying itself that an adequate portion of the income of the Society can be set apart for the maintenance of the college, without prejudice to the efficient maintenance of the Society's High School.

5. Moreover, in addition to the resources of the Society, the Society has been able to obtain further funds for the establishment and maintenance of this college. A sum of about a lakh and a quarter has been subscribed by way of donations by the Muslim Community and, of this sum, about Rs. 75,000 has been actually realised and is now in deposit, carrying interest at nine per cent. per annum. The management guarantees the realization of the balance at in a very short time. In addition to this amount the Society can always count, to some extent, on voluntary donations and subscriptions for the current expenditure of the college, though the Society has not based its calculations on this source of income.

6. At present, the college, which consists of 5 students in the Junior Intermediate class, is accommodated in one of the buildings owned by the management—a separate block in a healthy locality of the town consisting of a set of suitable well-ventilated and well-lighted halls and rooms. It is expected that the accommodation and buildings at the control of the management will suffice to house the college comfortably for a few years more; but the management have already been considering plans and estimates for the construction of suitable building for the college. The Society owns a large tract of land (about 27 acres) at the foot of a hillock on the best and healthiest portion of Vaniyambadi, which forms in itself a small separate colony removed from the congestion of the Town—a locality admirably suited for serious study and the development of physical, moral and intellectual discipline of students. The management hope to erect, at a cost of about a lakh of Rupees for the present, suitable lecture and class rooms, sufficient to accommodate the maximum possible strength of the College. The management do not propose to draw on the present funds for this proposed building, but expect to be able to defray the cost from donations and a grant from Government.

7. There is at present suitable hostel accommodation open to students of the college. In connection with the Islamiah High School, and in anticipation of the need which would arise on the starting of this college, the management have built, at a cost of about Rs. 60,000—(part of which was met from a Government grant) a Hostel which, at present, can accommodate about 50 boarders and which can, at a small extra cost, be made to accommodate fifty additional students. This hostel, which, at present, has only about 20 boarders, can easily meet all the possible wants of the college in respect of hostel accommodation. Moreover, the management own several houses and buildings in Vaniyambadi, which they are prepared to adapt to the requirements of the students, in conformity with the University Regulations.

8. The constitution of the college is briefly as follows:—The Vaniyambadi Muhammadan Educational Society is the Governing Body of the College and is to carry on the administration of the college through its Executive Committee, consisting of all the members of the Society who have contributed donations at any one time of not less than Rs. 1,000/- to the Soci and forty other members annually Selected by the Society. The Executive Committee being a fairly large body, the administration of the college is left to a College Board consisting of:—

1. The President of the Society;
2. The Secretary of the Society;
3. The Principal of the College, and
4. Three other members of the Executive Committee elected by the committee.

These rules are only provisional at present and the management have invited suggestions in regard to this matter.

9. The following are the members of the teaching staff of the college:—

1. S. Kadir Muhammad Ninar, B.A. (Hons.) with History as optional, Principal and Lecturer of Ancient and Modern History.
2. K. S. Subramanya Aiyar, M.A., L.T., (Madras) Lecturer in English.

3. A. Jagannath Das, M.A., (Madras) Lecturer in Logic and English.
4. M. Tajuddin Ahmed, M.A., S.A.V. (Punjab) Lecturer in Oriental Languages.
5. Muhamad Abdul Baqi, Hindustani and Pershian Munshi.

The aim of the management is to make the college the most efficient in the Presidency and the management will always be glad to avail themselves of opportunities for getting the best teachers on the staff of the College. The Principal represents the teaching staff on the College Board. Provision will be made for the residence in or near the Hostel of the Principal and some other members of the staff.

10. The fees will be charged by the College at standard rates. Muslim students would charged half fees.

11. The management agree to report to the Syndicate, after the College is affiliated, any transference of management and all changes in the teaching staff.

12. The library at present contains about 600 books. A list of books will be sent to you shortly. It is proposed to strengthen it by the addition of suitable works.

13. I beg to state, on behalf of the management, that they will, at all times, be glad to furnish whatever information or particulars may be required by the Syndicate. They fervently hope that the Syndicate would be pleased to make the necessary preliminary arrangements for granting the affiliation of the college.

14. The Muslim community of South India have been long and anxiously looking forward to the establishment and successful continuance of this College and thereby contributing their share in the advancement of education in general and that of the Muslim community in particular. The management will, at all times, be glad to receive and consider whatever proposals and suggestions may be made in furthering the main object of providing higher University Education in this Presidency. I shall be glad to explain in person to you, or to any member of the Syndicate, any matter connected with the affiliation of this College.

15. The Society are fully aware that the task and ideals which they have set before themselves are difficult of achievement and they have been so far supported in the solution of their difficulties and problems by a never failing faith in the usefulness of their work and by an enthusiastic sense of duty that the Muslim community, which has so far been backward in matters of education, should contribute its legitimate share to the responsible and arduous task of providing higher education for the steadily increasing number of students in this Presidency, Muslim as well as Non-Muslim. The extent of success of the Society's efforts is of course dependent on the measure of support, material and moral, which is accorded to the college by the University, the Government and the public at large.

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tter No 417, dated 20th January 1920, from the Registrar, University of Madras, to the Correspondent to the College Committee of the Islamiah College, Vaniyambadi.

With reference to your letter dated the 15th instant requesting affiliation of the Islamiah College, Vaniyambadi to the University in Group iii of the Intermediate courses of study, I have the honour, by direction, to inform you that your application is under the consideration of the Syndicate. In the meantime I am directed to request the management to submit plans of the proposed new buildings for the college, and to ask for information on the following points:—

(1) the arrangements made or proposed to be made as to the trusteeship of the college funds;

(2) whether the management proposes to offer instruction if not now at a later stage in a Science group (group i or group ii) as well as in group iii of the Intermediate courses;

(3) the nationality (*i.e.* race, caste and creed) of the 5 students said to be in the Junior Intermediate class, the schools from which they came and their native districts.

Letter dated 29th January 1920, from the Correspondent, Committee of the Islamiah College at Vaniyambadi, to the Registrar, University of Madras.

I have the honour to acknowledge receipt of your letter No. 417, dated 20th January 1920 which, having been addressed to Vaniyambadi, was redirected to me here. I am permanently resident in Madras and it will save delay if communications relating to the college are in future directed to my Madras address.

I note from your letter that my application for the affiliation to the University of the Islamiah College is already under the consideration of the Syndicate for which, I wish to express, on behalf of the Management, their thanks to you and the Syndicate.

The plans for the proposed new buildings of the college have been roughly prepared and are being fair copied. I shall submit them to the Syndicate as soon as the fair copies are ready.

Regarding the Trusteeship of the College Funds: As I have stated in my letter requesting affiliation, the College is under the management of the Vaniyambadi Mahomedan Educational Society whose Trustees are also the Trustees of the College Funds. According to the constitution of this Society, five persons shall be jointly the Trustees of the Society and they shall be elected at a General Meeting of the Society specially convened for the purpose. They shall hold office for life unless they resign or become insane or insolvent or are convicted of any criminal offence or act prejudicially to the interests of the Society. They are to abide by the decision of the Executive Committee in all matters relating to the investment of the funds of the Society and are responsible jointly and severally for the funds of the Society. The present Trustees are:—

1. Khan Bahadur Hajee Badruddin Sahib, Merchant, General Secretary of the Society
2. Khan Bahadur T. Aminuddin Sahib, Merchant.
3. M. Hajee Abdul Rahiman Sahib, Merchant
4. Bangi Sabju Sahib, Merchant, formerly nominated Chairman of the Vaniyambadi Municipality.
5. M. Ahmed Batcha Sahib, B.A. Merchant, Madras.

I may add that this Society has been incorporated under Act XXI of 1860 and that the Islamiah High School which is maintained by this Society has been recognised by the Director of Public Instruction and is receiving teaching and other grants-in-aid from Government.

Regarding instruction in Groups i and ii: The aim of the Management is to make the Islamiah College one of the best and most efficient institutions in this Presidency and they propose to offer instruction in the college at a later stage, in Groups i and ii of the Intermediate Course.

I regret I am unable to furnish in this letter the particulars asked for regarding the five students of the Junior Intermediate Class. I shall send the information in a day or two.

May I reiterate, on behalf of the Management, that I shall always be glad to furnish in person or by letter any information that may be desired.

Letter dated February 2, 1920, from the Correspondent, Committee of the Islamiah College at Vaniyambadi, to the Registrar, University of Madras..

With reference to your letter No. 417, dated 20th January 1920 and in continuation of my letter of 29th January 1920, I have the honour to furnish below information asked for by the Syndicate about the five students of the Junior Intermediate class of the Islamiah College, Vaniyambadi. Three of them are Mussalmans and two Hindus. Three studied their School Final Course in the Madrasa-e-Islamiah, Vaniyambadi, one has come from the Municipal High School, Ootacamund, and the other from the Government Mahomedan College, Madras. Three belong to the North Arcot District, one to the Tanjore District and the other to the Nilgiris.

Letter No. 871, dated February 7, 1920, from the Registrar, University of Madras, to the Correspondent, Committee of the Islamiah College at Vaniyambadi.

Your letters dated 29th January and 2nd February 1920 have been considered by the Syndicate. It is noted that the plans of the proposed new buildings for the college are under preparation and these are awaited.

2. Meanwhile I am to suggest that the constitution of the proposed college and its management should be reconsidered. The Indian Universities Act, 1904, requires as a condition of affiliation that a college shall be "under the management of a regularly constituted governing body" and the regulations of the University further provide that upon this governing body the teaching staff shall be represented. It would appear that the Vaniyambadi College is "under the control and management of the Vaniyambadi Mahomedan Educational Society" which has been incorporated, but that this Society which presumably has a very large membership "is to carry on the administration of the college through its Executive Committee" consisting of 40 elected members and of an indefinite number of others who have at any one time contributed donations of not less than Rs. 1,000 to the society, and that in view of the size of this Executive Committee the administration of the college "is left to a College Board" consisting of 3 officials (including the Principal) and 3 elected Members of the Executive Committee.

Presumably the Principal of the college will always be selected from, or will become one of the Members of the Society so as to represent the teaching staff on the managing body, but this fact is not explicitly stated and his membership of the College Board does not necessarily imply his membership of the Society. The arrangements detailed above for the management of the college are, however, open in the absence of further information to much more serious objection. In the first place the constitution and composition of the Society which is to be the "managing body" of the college, the funds at its disposal and the purposes to which they may be applied, in addition to the maintenance of the High School and the proposed college, are not definitely stated; and it is by no means clear how the Society acting successively through an Executive Committee and a College Board will manage the college, or upon whom will lie the responsibility for the maintenance staffing and upkeep of the college, whether upon the College Board, or the Executive Committee or the Society as a whole, or upon each of the three in varying degree. A clear statement of the powers and responsibilities of each is obviously desirable.

3. As regards the financial provision for the proposed college, I am directed to state that while the Syndicate has no objection to the nomination of trustees by the Society, it disapproves of such trustees being liable to removal at will and of their being under the direction of outside bodies.

Letter dated 3rd March 1920, from the Correspondent of the Islamiah College at Vaniyambadi to the Registrar, University of Madras, Madras.

I have the honour to acknowledge receipt of your letter No. 871 dated the 7th February 1920, for the suggestions contained in which I wish to convey to the Syndicate the thanks of the Management.

I have been authorised by the Members responsible for the management of the College to assure the Syndicate that the management are quite willing to frame a constitution for the college which would meet the requirements of the Universities Act, 1904. The present management are now busy drafting the necessary rules and bye-laws and I expect to submit them to the Syndicate in a few weeks. The suggestions and criticisms communicated by the Syndicate to me by your letter are receiving our best consideration and we shall be thankful for any further suggestions which the Syndicate may be pleased to make. I shall write again on this subject a few days hence.

Letter No. 1448 dated 4th March 1920, from the Registrar, University of Madras to the Correspondent, Islamiah, College Committee, Vaniyambadi.

I have the honour to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 3rd instant and to state that your further promised communication is awaited.

Letter dated 29th March 1920, from the Correspondent, Islamiah College at Vaniyambadi to the Registrar, University of Madras.

In continuation of my letter of the 29th January *re.* the submission to the Syndicate of plans of the proposed new buildings for the Islamiah College at Vaniyambadi, I have the honour to submit herewith by registered post a complete set of the plans consisting of :—

1. Plan of Ground Floor.
2. Plan of First Floor.
3. Side Elevation and
4. Plan of Sections.

I shall be obliged if you will kindly acknowledge receipt.

Letter No. 2061 dated 30th March 1920, from the Registrar, University of Madras, to the Correspondent, Islamiah College, Vaniyambadi.

I have the honour to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 29th instant and the four plans forwarded therewith and to state that the correspondence will be laid before the Syndicate for consideration on receipt from the management of a definite reply with regard to all the points raised in this office letter No. 871 of the 7th ultimo.

Letter dated 26th May 1920, from the Correspondent, Vaniyambadi Mahomedan Educational Society, to the Registrar, University of Madras.

With reference to your letter No. 871 of 7—2—1920 and in continuation of my letter of the 3rd March, I have the honour to inform you that the management after giving full consideration to the various points raised in your letter under reply have authorised me to communicate to you the revised rules* of the Vaniyambadi Mahomedan Educational Society. I regret that I could not send this communication earlier, but as the changes involved were in some respects radical it was considered advisable to give the members concerned full opportunities for discussion.

I trust that this revised constitution removes the objections and difficulties referred to in your letter of the 7th February 1920. The governing body is now regularly constituted and the Principal who becomes a regular member of the Society with a seat in the Executive Council represents the teaching staff on the Governing body.

The rules relating to the admission and the continuance of the members of the Society have been clearly defined and the Executive Council is no longer an indefinite body but consists of a fixed number (40) of members who are annually elected at a meeting of the General Assembly. The rules relating to the Executive Council are contained in Sec. V Rule 40 from which it will be seen that all the members of the Council shall be elected annually, 8 seats being reserved for the representation by election of the life members of the Society. The position of the Principal has been definitely stated and he is according to the revised constitution necessarily a member of the Society and the Executive Council.

The powers, privileges and responsibilities of the General Assembly of the Society, the Executive Council and the College Committee have been clearly defined and the degree of responsibility of each of them has been indicated in the revised rules.

The management have at their disposal solely for the up-keep and maintenance of the college a sum of Rupees one lakh and a quarter of which Rs. 75,000 have been realised. Further donations, subscriptions, college fees from students and an expected grant from Government constitute additional sources of income.

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*These rules are not printed.

Regarding the last paragraph of your letter it will be seen from the rules relating to the appointment of trustees that they are not liable to removal at will nor are they under the control of any outside bodies. I may perhaps add that even under the old constitution the trustees do not seem to have been liable to removal at will or under the direction of the outside bodies.

I believe that the position of the College has been fairly clearly stated and on behalf of the management I request that the Syndicate will be pleased to consider this matter. I would conclude by referring to the last paragraph of my letter of the 29th January.

Letter No. 4787, dated 26th July 1920, from the Ag. Registrar, University of Madras, to F. S. Davies, Esq., B.A., and C. Abdur Rahim Sahib Bahadur, B.A., L.T.

I have the honour, by direction, to inform you that an application has been received from the Correspondent, Islamiah College Committee, Vanniyambadi, for the affiliation of the Islamiah Secondary School, Vaniambadi to the University in Group iii (Ancient History, Modern History, Logic, Urdu and Persian) of the Intermediate courses of study. The Syndicate has appointed you a commission, with Mr. F. S. Davies as Convener, to conduct a local inquiry at this institution in accordance with the provisions of section 21 (2) (a) of the Indian Universities Act, 1904. It is presumed you will be willing to accept appointment, a condition of which is that the report should be submitted to the Syndicate within a month from the date of the inquiry.

The report of the local inquiry which should cover all questions raised in section 21 of the Act and in the Regulations relating to affiliation, should be submitted to the Syndicate without being disclosed to the Management of the institution.

In this connection I am directed by the Syndicate to invite attention to a suggestion of the Director of Public Instruction, that Inspection Commissions should make a point of meeting Inspectors of Schools while on tour as the latter are in possession of a large amount of information regarding colleges and local educational conditions, much of which may be valuable to the University. The Convener is requested to communicate to this office the date of the inspection of the institution.

The Convener of the Commission, to whom the application and connected papers including plans are forwarded herewith in original, is requested to arrange the date of the local inquiry in consultation with the College Committee of the proposed Islamiah College, Vaniyambadi.

Letter No. 4786, dated 26th July 1920, from the Ag. Registrar, University of Madras, to the Director of Public Instruction, Madras.

I have the honour to inform you that a Commission consisting of Mr. F. S. Davies, B.A. and Mr. C. Abdur Rahim, B.A., L.T., has been appointed to conduct a local inquiry at Vaniyambadi, in connection with the application for the affiliation of the Islamiah Secondary School in Group iii of the Intermediate courses of study. The date of the visit of the Commission to Vaniyambadi will be communicated to you in due course. I am to ask that the Inspector of schools of the Circle may be instructed to meet the Commission on the date when fixed.

Letter No. 4785 dated 26th July 1920 from the Ag. Registrar, University of Madras, to the Correspondent, Islamiah College Committee, Vaniyambadi.

With reference to your application dated the 15th January last for the affiliation of the Islamiah Secondary School in Group iii of the Intermediate courses of study and connected correspondence on the subject, I have the honour, by direction, to inform you that the Syndicate has appointed a Commission composed of Messrs. F. S. Davies (Convener) and C. Abdur Rahim to conduct a local inquiry at your institution under section 21 (2) of the Indian Universities Act, 1904. Mr. F. S. Davies has been requested to arrange the date of the local inquiry in consultation with the management of the school.

Report of the Commission appointed to hold a local inquiry at the Islamiah College, Vaniyambadi, dated 31st August, 1920.

In compliance with the request of the Syndicate, communicated in its letter of 26th July, we inspected the proposed Islamiah college to-day and submit our Report thereon.

(A.) Accompanied by the three members of the College Committee appointed to meet us, and by Mr. T. S. Subrahmanya, Inspector of Schools, 7th Circle, we made an inspection of the site of the proposed new college. A rough plan (i) of it is enclosed. It will give some idea of the large compound or rather series of compounds acquired for the college. Situated in the New Town of Vaniyambadi it is an excellent situation in every way. Well out of the town, with an excellent supply of good water, one could not reasonably ask for a better site.

The Hostel already occupied by boys of the School is fitted up in a satisfactory way. The rooms are large and well-ventilated, the dining hall is large and can easily be converted for the holding of meetings, the bathing arrangements are ample, and last but by no means least the sanitary conditions are particularly *good*. When the upper storey is ready, and it is expected to be so by next June, it will accomodate double the number of students.

There are seven houses in the New Town, quite near the College, which can either be used by the members of the Staff or by Hindu students who are not likely to wish to live in the Hostel though I was assured that there was no objection to their doing so provided the meals question could be solved satisfactorily.

Opposite the College grounds is a fine playground capable of development in several directions.

Thereafter we visited the High School situated in the Old Town. The building is still incomplete, but there is little doubt that the extension will be ready for occupation in a few months. A rough plan of the upper story (ii) of the building is also enclosed as it will have to be used for the College temporarily if recognition is granted by the Senate. The rooms are large, all practically 19 by 19. Three would be 6—8 if screen partitions are taken into account—, of these large rooms given up to the College there being no other classes placed in the upstairs. A good deal of land is being acquired for the school, and it will soon stand a solid block surrounded by roads on four sides.

So far for actual inspection of sites and buildings, except for the block in which the college classes have been held up till now. A plan (iii) of these five rooms is appended. They will suffice for the First Year University Class, the school being requisitioned when the Second Year University Class is opened, which will not be till 1922.

(B) We then had a conference with Mr. Subrahmanya, Inspector of Schools. We would wish to place on record our thanks to him for valuable information.

The Vaniyambadi High School has been slowly progressing and now has 442 pupils, of whom there are about 78% Muhammadans. There have been some undesirable changes in staff in the past, but there seems every prospect of stabilising the Staff. The Director of Public Instruction has lately in his order 9118/20, dated August 26, 1920, lent the school an excellent headmaster. With three other L. T's. on the staff all receiving good pay, it is to be expected that the school will, in future years, serve as a very useful feeder to the College, which the Muhammadans of Vaniyambadi are now asking the Syndicate to recommend to the Senate for affiliation.

While there has been a certain stir on account of political and religious differences we were assured by the Inspector of Schools that it has not affected the keen co-operation of all the Muhammadans of the Vaniyambadi Educational Society in things educational.

Mr. Subrahmanya Aiyar also gave us the names of several schools in and near the District. which would serve as additional feeders to the College—Tirupatur, Jalarpet, Chittoor, Tirupati, Arcot, Walajanagar, Ranipet, etc.

Mr. Subrahmanya's reports were all, therefore, in favour of the establishment of a college somewhere in or near Vaniyambadi.

(C.) We thereafter conferred with the three members of the College Committee, called into being by the criticism of the Syndicate conveyed in the Registrar's letter of February, 7:—

Messrs. Ahmed Batcha, Correspondent and Trustee, Haji Moulvi Ziauddin Ahmed Sahib, Principal, Arabic College, Vellore, President, V.M.E.S., and Khan Bahadur Haji Budruddin Sahib, General Secretary, V.M.E.S.

As regards Section 21 (1) we have to make the following report:—

(*a*) As regards the governing body we think the information given by Mr. Batcha in his letter of 26/5 removes all reasonable objections to the Committee as now constituted.

To prevent any misunderstanding, it was pointed out to us that the funds for the School and for the College were absolutely different.

The Principal is not only a member of the College Committee, but also an honorary member of the Society and of its Executive Council with full voting powers in both.

(*b*) We were not completely satisfied with the conditions governing tenure of office. We accordingly asked the Committee to communicate to the Registrar a more definite statement.

A Provident Fund will be started similar to that recently sanctioned by the D.P.I. for the School. This we consider an important condition adding materially to the stabilising of staff There will be due provision for the courses of studies.

(*c*) Under (A) we have already stated our complete approval of site, the provision for the residence of some members of the staff near the college. It is proposed to build a house for the Principal in the College grounds. For the present there are, as stated above, seven houses well situated near the College suitable either for the staff or for Hindu students who are expected to join in large numbers, an opinion which was shared by the Committee with Mr. Subrahmanya Aiyar. Please see under (*f*).

(*d*) Rs. 2,580 has been already spent on books; Rs. 1,000 is now being spent and an undertaking was given to spend Rs. 1,000 for the next three years on the Library. This for a college with one Group only seems fairly reasonable.

The Library is suitably housed.

(*e*) The Committee seriously regard the suggestion of opening the Mathematics Section. Their idea is to set about it as soon as they have completed the college buildings. They are quite alive to the need of Groups i and ii. There will be ample space to erect laboratories.

(*f*) This has been already reported on, by mistake under (e). We may refer, therefore to our remarks under (A) as regards Hostel accommodation which we regard as completely satisfactory.

(*g*) An income of Rs. 10,000 a year is expected from Rs. 1,24,000 which is expected soon to be fully realised.

(*h*) The building fund will be collected separately and is expected to be supplemented by a substantial Government grant. There is also a scholarship fund amounting at present to Rs. 6,348.

There seems no fear that the College if affiliated will, in any way, injure any other college in the same neighbourhood. There are few, if any, to injure but many boys to benefit, as pointed out by the Inspector of Schools, when he gave a list of the schools likely to serve as feeders.

(i) The standard rates of fees will be charged except to Muhammadans who pay half fees, an exception to which there can be no objection.

The Committee has already given an assurance that any transference of management and all changes in the teaching staff will be forthwith reported to the Syndicate.

(D.) As regards the recent resignation of the Principal and the Logic Lecturer, we have been shown correspondence that satisfies us that there was no fault to be found with the Committee. The Principal refused to explain his failure to collect the arrears in the Hostel and finally declared that he could not be held in any way responsible. As he has been for months past seeking to enter the Police Department and clearly never wished to continue as an educationist, he cannot be said to have any grievance.

The Logic Lecturer resigned on the ground that if the School Committee dismissed the School writer who had been found seriously short in his fee collections he would resign. It will be evident that he was seeking an excuse to quarrel. He had done so very seriously with the Principal. As he has served in Travancore and in, it is said, Government service, he seems a rolling stone.

For the reasons stated above we record our opinion that affiliation may be recommended. When the college building is finished, it will, it is certain, be regarded as one of the best situated colleges in South India.

Letter, dated September 3,1920, from the Correspondent, Islamiah College, Vaniyambadi, to the Registrar, University of Madras.

It has been pointed out by the Commission recently appointed by the Syndicate to inspect and report upon the proposed Islamiah College that, in order to be in conformity with the requirements of Rule 21 (b) of the Indian Universities Act of 1904, Rule 42 (c) of the Vaniyambadi Muhammadan Educational Society must be more amplified so as to prevent any possible misunderstanding that might arise between the staff and the management. Further it has been considered desirable in order to secure regularity and efficiency in the course of instruction that the terms, conditions and qualifications of employment of the college staff shall be definitely decided by the college committee.

In a meeting of the college committee held in Madras on the 2nd of this month, it has been decided that in the matter of appointing the staff of the college such persons as are considered duly qualified shall be selected and an agreement shall be entered into between any member of the staff and the management definitely specifying therein the period of service which may vary from three to five years as conditions might require and also stating definitely the salary agreed upon, promotions and leave that the member is entitled to.

It is the earnest desire of the committee to make the working between the staff and the management as smooth as possible and in the practical execution of the decision mentioned above, the committee is willing to adopt at the time appointments are made all such means as would ensure perfect harmony between the staff and the management.

As it has also been pointed out that the terms "internal management" in Sec. D of Rule No. 42 of the Rules of the Vaniyambadi Muhammadan Educational Society are indefinite, it is requested that this section of the Rule may be read and interpreted in the light of Section C of Rule No. 33 which clearly defines the duties and functions of the Principal.

Letter dated 3rd September, 1920, from the Correspondent, Islamiah College, Vaniyambadi to the Registrar, University of Madras.

Re: The Financial Status of the Islamiah College.

I have the honour to place before you certain facts relating to the Financial Status of the proposed Islamiah College. The total amount subscribed towards the College comes up to Rs. 1,24,000 of which Rs. 77,000 have already been realised and the balance can all be realised within a very short period. This whole amount is intended to be set apart completely for the

maintenance of the College. Out of the funds on hand negotiations have already been completed to purchase a very valuable property on the 2nd Line Beach, Madras, at a cost of Rs. 70,000 which at present yields a monthly rental of Rs. 636. This property requires some improvement after which it is hoped that the monthly rent, basing on the most modest calculations, is likely to be Rs. 1,000. At this rate the annual income might be plased at Rs. 12,000 and the balance money left, that is, about Rs. 54,000 will yield an annual income of not less than Rs. 5,000, interest being calculated at 9 per cent per annum. The total income, therefore, looked forward to is Rs. 17,000, which together with College Fees collected from the students and a grant from the Government is considered enough to maintain the College.

This sum having been set apart exclusively for the maintenance of the College, it has been resolved by the College Committee that for the construction of the College Building a separate fund be raised. To this fund is to be added a grant from the Government and in connection with this, as the Committee is earnest about making a start at once, the fund has already been opened with a nucleus of Rs. 10,000.

It will not be out of place here to mention that the Vaniyambadi Mahomedan Educational Society has been in possession of a sum of nearly Rs. 28,000 for some years with a view to erecting a building to be associated with the name of Lord Pentland. The Society had applied for the site required for the construction of the building; but this request having been finally rejected by the Government, it is the desire of College Committee to request the Executive Council of the Vaniyambadi Mahomedan Educational Society to permit the Fund under that name to be diverted towards the cost of construction of the college, a section of the college to be named after Lord Pentland. This suggestion, it is hoped, will meet with the approval of the Executive Council as it will not only lead the way towards the realisation of a proposal and also towards its being utilized for an urgent and useful purpose. In connection with this detailed letter of mine, I give below the various resolutions passed by the College Committee at its meeting held in Madras on September 2, 1920 :—

Resolved.—

(1) That in order to secure regularity and efficiency in the course of instruction, in order to avoid any misunderstanding between the staff and the management and in conformity with Rule 21, section (*b*) of the Indian Universities Act of 1904, men duly qualified to teach the college classes be appointed and that an agreement be made with every member of the staff regarding his appointment for a period varying from 3 to 5 years specifying therein the questions of salary, leave, promotions, etc.

(2) That in order to assure the financial status of the proposed Islamiah College the sum of Rs. 77,000, now on hand together with a sum of Rs. 47,000 to be collected be set apart exclusively for the maintenance of the College out of the income accruing therefrom.

(3) That the funds necessary for the construction of the proposed college building be raised separately and be utilised for that purpose together with an expected grant from the Government.

(4) That in order to expedite the construction of the College Buildings a fund be started immediately with a nucleus of Rs. 10,000 to be increased later on to form a suitable figure.

(5) That as the land required by the management for the construction of a building to be named after Lord Pentland has not been acquired by the Government, the college committee has decided to request the Executive Council of the Vaniyambadi Muhammadan Educational Society to permit the sum of Rs. 28,000 collected for the building mentioned above to be diverted towards the construction of the College Buildings a section of which shall be named after Lord Pentland.

The Syndicate considered the above communication together with the whole correspondence at its meeting held on December 20, 1920, and resolved to recommend to the Senate to record its opinion that the application for affiliation may be granted by the Government.

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READ letter, dated January 15, 1920, from the Correspondent, Islamiah College Committee, Vaniyambadi, requesting the affiliation of the College to the University in Group iii of the Intermediate Courses of study.

together with the report thereon of the Affiliation Committee of the Syndicate.

RESOLVED that the management be asked to submit plans of the buildings of the proposed college, and to give information as to trusteeship of the College funds and particulars as to the five students studying in the Junior Intermediate Class.

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Extract from the Minutes of the Adjourned Meeting of the Syndicate held on February 3, 1920.

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READ correspondence with the Correspondent, Islamiah College at Vaniyambadi on the subject of his application for the affiliation of the College in Group iii of the Intermediate Courses ending with his letter, dated January 29, 1920, intimating that the plans of the proposed new buildings of the college would be submitted as soon as they have been fair copied, furnishing information regarding the trusteeship of the college funds, and stating that the particulars asked for regarding the five students of the Junior Intermediate Class will be sent in a day or two;

Also further letter from the same, dated February 7, 1920, furnishing particulars of the five students of the Junior Intermediate Class of the College.

RESOLVED that the Correspondent, Islamiah College, Vaniyambadi, be informed that the constitution of the proposed College and its management should be generally reconsidered, and that, while the Syndicate has no objection to the nomination of trustees by the Society, it disapproves of such trustees being liable to removal at will and being under the direction of outside bodies.

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Extract from the Minutes of the Adjourned Meeting of the Syndicate, dated 20th July 1920.

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READ correspondence relating to the application for the affiliation of the Islamiah College, Vaniyambadi, in Group iii of the Intermediate Courses;

together with the report thereon of the Affiliation Committee of the Syndicate.

RESOLVED that Mr. F.S. Davies and C. Abdur Rahim Sahib Bahadur (Inspector of Schools) be appointed a Commission, with Mr. Davies as Convener, to conduct a local inquiry at the institution under Section 21 (2) of the Indian Universities Act.

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Extract from the Minutes of the Meeting of the Syndicate held on 20th December 1920.

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READ report of the Commission appointed to conduct a local inquiry in connection with the application for the affiliation of the proposed Islamiah College, Vaniyambadi, in Group iii of the Intermediate Courses of Study;

together with the report thereon of the Affiliation Committee of the Syndicate.

RESOLVED to recommend to the Senate to record its opinion that the application for the affiliation of the Islamiah College, Vaniyambadi, in Group iii of the Intermediate courses may be granted by the Government;

Also resolved that the Ag. Registrar inform the Management that the Syndicate considers that affiliation should be sought and classes should be opened at the earliest opportunity in the Science subjects for the Intermediate courses of study.

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Senate House,
February 1, 1921.

K. Ramunni Menon
Ag. Registrar.

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Extract from the Minutes of the Meeting of the Senate held on 21st January 1921.

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Mr. F.S. Davies moved
and
C. Abdur Rahim Sahib Bahadur seconded.

That the Senate Record its opinion that the application for the affiliation of the Islamiah College, Vaniyambadi, in Group iii (Histories, Logic, Urdu and Persian) of the Intermediate Courses of Study may be granted by the Government.

Carried.

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Senate House,
February 1, 1921.

K.V. Ramanuja Menon
Ag. Registrar.

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