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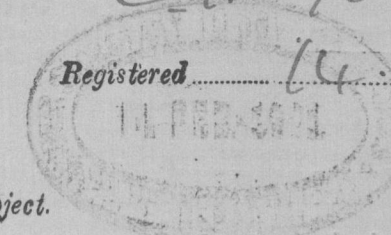
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Submitting with remarks the proposals of the Collector of Tinnevely for the formation of a District Educational Council in his district.

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Station Madras, Dated the 14. 2. 1921

From (Name) R. G. Grieve, Esq., M.A.,
(Designation) Ag. Director of Public Instruction

To The Secretary to the Government of Madras,
Law (Education) Department.

Sir,

I have the honour to submit with my remarks the proposals of the Collector of Tinnevely for the formation of a District Educational Council in his district.

2. Under the Act the District Board is only entitled to elect one representative. I cannot see how non-Mission bodies and Managers of those schools will be able satisfactorily to elect representatives. The Collector's statement that nominated seats are limited to 5 per cent of the total strength is incorrect. My

proposals

proposals are as follows:

Elected Members.

District Board	1
Four Taluk Boards (two each)	8
Three Municipalities (one each)	3
Church Missionary Society	1
S.P.G. Mission	1
Roman Catholic and the C.M.S. /	
C.M.S. and the S.P.G. Missions to	
elect 1 lady to represent their	
girls' schools.	
Total	16

Nominated Members.

The Sub Assistant Inspectress	1
Mrs. Ponnuswamy, wife of Mr.	
Ponnuswamy, Vakil	1
Muhammadan	1
Members of the Depressed	
classes ...	2
Total	5

3. The orders of the Minister may be obtained on the question as to whether the President may be nominated or elected.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

R. S. S. S.

for Director of Public Instruction.

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Subject.

Submitting report on the constitution of District Educational Council in Tinnevely District.

D.Dis.2500-20-B-3.

Tinnevely Collector's office.

Dated 31st January 1921.

From

E.A. Davis Esquire, I.C.S.,

Collector of Tinnevely.

To

The Secretary to Government,

Home (Educational) Department,

M a d r a s.

Sir,

With reference to Government memo No. 3695 A-1 dated 17th December 1920, I have the honour to submit the report of the Acting ^{Inspector} ~~Director~~ of Schools Tinnevely. It was only received in this office on the 28th instant and consequently it has been impossible to consult him.

2. He proposes a strength of 24 for the Council and while I regard a Council of the size too large for executive duties. But it is hardly possible to go below 24 in a Committee organized for the whole district.

3. I see no objection to the Council being allowed to elect its own President. All the local bodies in the district are now allowed unofficial Presidents and there seems therefore no reason to make an exception in this case.

4. According to the Act there will be 3 ex-officio members. I should propose to fill the remaining places as follows.

By election.	Four	District Board	...	2
	Three	Taluk Boards	...	8
	...	Municipalities	...	3
		Mission bodies	...	2
		(Non-mission do.	...	1
		Managers of girls' schools	...	1

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This will leave 4 places to be filled by nomination; and until the elections were over it would not be possible to say what communities were unrepresented and required to be considered.

5. Obviously there will be the greatest difficulty in securing election from any heterogeneous body such as missions in general or managers of non-mission schools; while on the other hand the nominated seats are limited to 5 % of the total strength. There is a prospect also of Taluk Boards being allotted to each Taluk. I have therefore allotted 8 seats to the Taluk Boards which will allow one for each Taluk. From the figures furnished by the Inspectors, it will be seen that the majority of the Elementary schools at present existing are in the hands of missions. I have therefore allotted two election seats. I do not think it desirable to arrange for representation of each mission separately, though aware that there may be a desire on the part of the Missions for this. It however seems to me that they should be regarded as an entity in respect of education.

6. As regards women representations, I would leave the Managers' of girls' schools to elect a representation. If they choose to elect a woman, well & good and if not, it must be taken as a symptom that there is no present demand for such a measure. The Inspector of Schools admits that he knows that no Indian Lady suitable to be recommended and unless an European Lady were elected to represent the girls' schools I think she would be unwise to accept nomination to the Council.

7. If no Muhammadan is elected, there should I think be 2 nominated to the Council. Any other vacancies could be allotted as occasion required.

I have the honour to be,

S i r,

Your most obedient servant,

K. Rama Varma
2.2.21.
For Collector.

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Copy of letter No. 67/20 dated 25th January 1921

from the Acting Inspector of Schools, Eleventh Circle to the Collector of Tinnevely.

With reference to your R.O.C. 2500-20-B-3 addressed to the Revenue Divisional Officers in the District regarding the constitution of a District Educational Council under the provisions of the Madras Elementary Education Act of 1920, I have the honour, in forwarding the replies of three of the Divisional Officers who have responded, Sermadevi, Tuticorin and Koilpatti to state as follows:-

2. Reply to para 3 (a) and (c):-

The strength of the Council may be fixed at 24 which I think is a good workable number to start with.

Ex-Officio Members.

The Collector.	...	1
The President, District Board..	...	1
The Inspector of Schools.	...	1

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Nominated Members.

Muhammadans	...	1
Panchamas	...	1
Women	...	2

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Elected Members.

Tinnevely and Palamcottah.		
Municipal Councils.	...	1
Tuticorin Municipality.	...	1
Tinnevely Taluk Board	...	1
Koilpatti Taluk Board.	...	1
Sermadevi Taluk Board	...	1
Tuticorin Taluk Board	...	1
District Board.	...	1

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C.M.S. Mission	...	1
S.P.G. Mission.	...	1
R.C. Mission.	...	1
Other Missions in the District.	...	1

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Associations of representatives of Non-Mission.

aided schools run by private managers or village committees or Panchayats.

Tuticorin Taluk Board area.	...	2
Koilkatti Taluk Board area.	...	2
Sermadevi Taluk Board area.	...	1
Tinnevelly Taluk Board area.	...	1

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T o t a l.	...	24

Note 1. With a view to give you some idea of the existing Educational interests which have to be given representation in the proposed District Educational Council I append the following table:-
The total number of Elementary Schools of all descriptions in this District is 1528 for Boys and 162 for Girls. The Agencies that run these institutions are classified as follows:-

	Boys.	Girls.
Government schools.	4	1
Board schools	190	32
Municipal schools	21	9
C.M.S. Schools. (aided)	446	55
S.P.G. Schools (do.)	161	12
R.C. Schools. (do.)	156	29
Other Protestant Missions (do.)	51	7
Aided Non-Mission schools		
Single Managers.	468	17
Local committees or Panchayats.	31	0
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	499	17
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T o t a l.	1528	162
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Note 2.

Also included in these are

Muhammadian Schools.	51	13
Panchama Mission.	180	0
Panchama Non-Mission.	39	0

Note 3.

I have proposed 6 seats for Aided Non-Mission schools because they are of the most heterogeneous character in person, policy, intellectual quality, local conditions, and so forth, and

and prospectively they have to be looked upon as the most likely pioneers in extending the benefits of Primary Education to the remote and yet unexploited corners of the District. All the more important and accessible villages have been provided with schools by one or other of the well organised agencies mentioned above. The breaking of soil that is yet vergin will have to be largely undertaken by the class of private school managers or village panchayats whose difficulties and peculiar conditions, varying necessarily with various localities, require effective representation and careful consideration at the District Educational Council if that Council is to fulfil the most important of the purposes for which it is called into existence. Associations of such managers for each Taluk ^{Board} area will of course have to be called into existence and rules for election will have to be framed.

Note 4. The interests of the several missions are more or less identical especially of the Protestant Missions. The nominated women for the two women seats will for some time to come have to be filled by Missionary or, at all events Christian ladies and hence the Mission agencies will practically have 6 seats on the Council.

3. As regards ^athis question of election or nomination of the President I would say that the safest thing is to begin by nomination and go to election only after some experience is gained of the manner in which the new scheme works. The impression produced by a perusal of the Act is that the function of the President who is the principal executive officer of the ~~office~~ Council is a very onerous one and demands a very great deal indeed of one's time and energy. A person therefore who might be expected to be a whole-time worker is desirable.

4. Reply to para (3) (b) I am not aware of ^{any} suitable women of the Hindu religion who may be recommended for nomination though I consider that it is very necessary that

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that a representative on behalf of Hindu female Education should be on the Council. My own opinion is that one of the two seats for women may be filled by

1. Miss. R.C. Howard, Principal, Surah Tucker College,. Palamcottah.
2. Miss. E. Wiles B.A., Manager and Principal of the Girls' High School Nazareth.
3. Miss Thomas, Manager of the ^{CMS} ~~L.S.~~ School for Girls, Megnanapuram Tiruchendur Taluk.

4. The Sub Assistant Inspectress, Tinnevelly Girls' Range and the other seat temporarily filled by a Hindu Gentleman who will make it a special concern of his to study conditions as regards Hindu Elementary Education for Girls in the District. If this be not acceptable, the Sub Assistant Inspectress of Girls' Schools, Tinnevelly Girls Range, and one other Lady among those mentioned above may be appointed.

Reply to para 3 (d):- As regards Muhammadan Gentlemen available for nomination I have no personal knowledge but I am told that Mr. T. Muhammad Amin-uddin Sahib retired District Superintendent of Police and Mr. Muhammad Irthuza Ali, Municipal Councillor, Tinnevelly are suitable names.

As regards Panchama Gentlemen suitable for nomination also I have no personal knowledge, but I am informed that there are one or two Taluk Board Members in the Sermadevi and Tuticorin Taluk Boards who may be appointed. Of course the gentleman selected should be a Hindu and not a Christian for the purpose we have in view. For the Christian Panchamas, whether of the Catholic or of the Protestant persuasion, are effectively represented by the Mission representatives.

In conclusion I have the honour to add that I shall be glad to meet you in person and discuss matters connected with this subject if you so desire and if you will kindly fix a time for the interview.

K. Rama Varma
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Home (Education) Department

(C.No.704) From the D.P.I No.155/21 dated 14-2-21.

Subject: Formation of a District Educational Council for the Tinnevely District.

The D.P.I has revised the Collector's proposals for the formation of a District Educational Council. The proposals as set out on page 2 of c.f. may be generally approved, though there seems to be some over-representation of missions: but the case of Tinnevely in this respect is somewhat special.
~~2. If a representation of teacher managers is nominated by the Government, the number of ladies to be appointed may be restricted to one.~~

The Collector recommends that the Council may be allowed to elect its President. ~~The point is for orders.~~ This also may be approved.

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The D.P.I's proposals may be approved
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 D.P.I's proposals approved.
 Part will be elected

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A draft order is subd for approval.

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Under sections
4 and 5 of the Madras Elementary
Education Act, 1920, the Govt.
(Ministry of Education) hereby
constitute a District Educational
Council for the district of
Tinnevely consisting of the
under-mentioned members:—

(i) Ex-officio Members

Collector of Tinnevely

President, Bt Board, Tinnevely

Inspector of Schools, XIII circle 1

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(ii). To be elected by the
under-mentioned local bodies
and other agencies.

District Board, Tinnevely	1
Four Taluk Boards in the Dt. (2 each)	8
Three Municipalities in the Dt. (1 each)	3
Church Mission ^{and} Society	1
S.P.G. Mission	1
Roman Catholic Mission	1
C.M.S. and the S.P.G. Missions to elect one woman to represent their girls' schools	1
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(iii) To be ^{appointed} ~~nominated~~ by the Govt.
Sub-Committee ^{Inspector of Schools, Tinnevely} ~~Sub-Committee~~ ^{Women} ~~Women~~ ¹ ~~2~~

Muhammadans 1

Depressed classes 2

Sub. 5

Grand Total 24

2. Under Section 5 (1) of the Act
the Govt. are pleased to
authorize the Council to
elect its president from
among its own number
subject to their final approval

3. The President, Dt. Board, Tinnevely
The Presidents of Taluk Boards in the
~~Tinnevely~~ Dt.

The Chairmen of Municipal
Councils in the ~~Tinnevely~~ Dt.
^{is} ~~are~~ requested to take very
early steps for the election
of the authorized number

of members to the Council
and to report to Govt. ^{before} ~~by~~
the 24th instant, the names
(in full) of the persons elected
for notification in the Port
St. George Gazette.

4. The Inspector of
Schools, XIII Circle, will
arrange for the election
of members to the Council
by the other educational
agencies mentioned in
para 1 (ii) above. The names
in full of the persons elected
by the different agencies
should be reported to Govt.
^{before} ~~by~~ the 24th instant.

5. ~~The Govt. approve the
proposal that the Sub-Asst.
Inspector of Schools, ^{Tinnevely range} ~~Tinnevely~~
(wife of Mr. Ponnuswami, ~~Vand~~)
Mrs. Ponnuswami ~~should~~~~

may be appointed a member
of the Council. The
Collector of Tinnevely is
requested to ascertain and
report whether Mrs. Ponnuswami
she is willing to serve. ~~and~~

It has been suggested
to Govt. that

~~members of the Council~~

He is also requested to submit at a very early date his recommendations in regard to the other persons to be appointed by the Govt. under para 1(iii) above.

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- To the Collector of Tinnevely
- " " D.P.D.
- " " Inspector of Schools, XIII Circle
- " " P.D.B., Tinnevely
- " " Presidents of Taluk Boards in the Tinnevely Dt.
- " " Chairmen of Municipal Councils in the Tinnevely Dt.
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