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252. That under 31-B(b) (iv),
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for Widows' Scholarships be reduced
by Rs.100.

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Resolutions on the ~~subject~~ budget.

Law (Education) Department.

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Mr. W. Vijayaraghava Mudaliyar

298. That under 31B(b)(iv) -- Education -- secondary-
scholarships in secondary schools, the provision of
Rs. 14,580 for widow scholarships be reduced by
Rs. 100

Dr. C. Natesa Mudaliyar

181. That under 31 B(b)(iv), Education, Secondary,
the provision for widows' scholarships be reduced
by Rs. 100.

Mr. O. Thanikachalam Chettiyar

252. That under 31-B(b)(iv), Education, Secondary -
the provision for widows' scholarships be reduced by
Rs. 100.

Home (Education) Department.

The following provision is found in the
preliminary issue of the budget for 1921-22:-

Scholarships in
secondary schools
for girls.....
Widows' scholar-
ships.....

B. E. 1921-1922	R. E. 1920-1921	B. E. 1920-1921	Accts. 1919-1920
26,000	30,000	25,000	29,061
14,580		14,580	

2. There are 71 scholarships of the value
ranging from Rs. 4 to Rs. 12 per mensem allotted to
Hindu and Muhammadan widows studying in classes above
the third standard or class in recognised schools.

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There are also 30 guardian allowances of Rs.5 and Rs.6 per mensem to supplement these scholarships. These allowances are granted in the case of widows ~~and~~ studying in places other than their native towns or villages when the schools there do not contain the required forms. For details of these scholarships please see page 20 of G.O.No.476, dated 15-7-11. From the statement showing details of the Govt. scholarships awarded in ~~1918-19~~ ¹⁹¹⁹⁻²⁰ it will be seen that 84 scholarships were actually awarded during 1919-20 though only 71 were allotted.

3. Besides these there are 59 scholarships of the value of Rs.15 per mensem awarded to the inmates of the Widows' Home, Triplicane and 42 scholarships of ~~Rs.10~~ ^{the same} ~~value~~ ^{value} for widows in the hostel attached to the Queen Mary's High School for Indian girls, Vizagapatam vide G.O.No.683, dated 26-7-12 and ^{No} 785, dated 26-8-12 and (F) and cf. para.1 on page 1 of notes to G.O.399, dated (H) 8-4-16 and G.O.982, dated 12-8-19. These scholarships are being granted in view of the great need for caste women teachers in schools under public management and the consequent urgent necessity of educating and training caste widows to meet the demand. c.f. para.1 of D.P.I.'s letter on page 2 of G.O.No.128, (T) Educational, dated 30-1-14.

4. For orders whether the resolution may be opposed, ^{auto} who will take charge of it, whether further information is required and whether the resolution should be discussed at the Cabinet meeting.

The remarks of the D.P.I. may be invited u.o.

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⑧ but are included in the
sum of Rs 26000 shown in the
draft above the Rs 14,500 referred
to in the reply. - Vice X.P.'s
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U.O. Reply.

The Secretariat note seems incorrect. The
sum of Rs.14,580 provided for widow scholarships
under "31 B (b) (iv) - Education - Secondary-
Scholarships in secondary schools" refers to the
68 scholarships of the value of Rs.15 each per
mensem for Hindu widows of all classes in the
hostels attached to the Government Secondary and
Training School, Triplicane, and 6 scholarships
of the value of Rs.12 each per mensem for un-
married Non-Brahman girls in the Hindu hostel
attached to the school. The general widow
scholarships and the widow scholarships sanc-
tioned for the Queen Mary's High School, Vizaga-
patam, referred to in the Secretariat notes

(Pp. 4 and 5) are not included under this head.

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19.3.21.

Submitted to M, for perusal in
advance. The question of
provision for widow's scholarships
in Vizagapatam will be examined
separately.

19.3.21

M Resⁿ withdrawn on the assumption that the
the house will be thrown open to all Hindu girls.
and that other amenities will be accommo-
-dated in the building rising next door.

19.3.21

Mr. C. NATESA MUDALIYAR moved :—

19. That under 31-B (b) (iv) Education—Secondary, the provision of Rs. 14,580 for widows' scholarships be reduced by Rs. 100 (Budget, page 129).

In doing so, he said :—“I request for information from the Government as to how these widows' scholarships of Rs. 14,580 are distributed among widows. I want to be furnished with the number of widows from the various communities that are recipients of these scholarships. I request the Government to distribute these scholarships among poor widows of the various castes and communities and may I request the Government to extend this to non-widows too.”

The Hon'ble Diwan Bahadur A. SUBBARAYULU REDDIYAR :—“I have anticipated all these questions. These three resolutions are framed for that purpose I understand. These resolutions bear upon the widows' home, I believe, on the Marina. The widows' home is said to be a Brahman widows' home generally. As a matter of fact I know it ought not to go by that name. The lady in the direction of this home is Mrs. Drysdale for whom I have personally very great regard. She has employed almost all her time in the evolution of female education, and

her activities are of an excellent character. Having heard in this connexion of the excellent manner in which the Ramakrishna home was being conducted at Mylapore, I mentioned this to Mrs. Drysdale one morning, took her with me to inspect the home. The home consisted of 40 pupils, 25 Brahmans and 15 non-Brahmans. I was assured that all the 40 lodged in the same house and messed at the same table, except that a sentimental difference was introduced by throwing a cloth between the two sets while eating. I looked at it approvingly. Mrs. Drysdale also looked at it so. She told me that it was not the way in which the home at the Ice House was being conducted but that she had no objection to adopt the same principle there. So with those ideas in our head we drove straight to the Students' home at the Ice House and Mrs. Drysdale came to the conclusion that the system adopted in the Ramakrishna home must be adopted there as well and that she had no objection and as a matter of fact there was no such thing as Brahman widows' home according to her opinion. So far as I know it was so, it was a common home for widows and the non-Brahman widows could not be had then according to her. It was understood between us that the Students' home at Ice House must be conducted on the same lines as Ramakrishna home. So the enquiry is answered by my statement that the Students' home at the Ice House is of the same character as the Ramakrishna home for boys and that the principles adopted in treating the widows there will be those adopted in the case of the Ramakrishna home and everything will get on smoothly. That was the understanding we came to, myself and Mrs. Drysdale.

“As regards the number of scholarships there are 59 scholarships at the Ice House for Brahman widows and 9 for non-Brahman widows. I believe that will satisfy the enquiring member as to how many scholarships there are. While I am taking this opportunity of expressing my sincere gratitude to Mrs. Drysdale for the excellent way in which she had been managing the home, I take this opportunity also to entreat the several members of the various communities concerned in South India to bear patiently till I give them the next building which is rising now for accommodation for all castes. It is too soon to expect that Hindus and Christians will mix in dining and lodging. Therefore I have taken the liberty, thinking I shall be allowed that liberty, of arranging accommodation in the next building which is coming up and which is brand new.”

Mr. C. NATESA MUDALIYAR :—“Sir, I request the Government to assure me that there are poor widows among those that mess there.”

The Hon'ble Diwan Bahadur A. SUBBARAYULU REDDIYAR :—“Poor widows of all classes are the only ones that have accommodation there.”

Mr. C. NATESA MUDALIYAR :—“Then I withdraw my motion, Sir.”

The motion was by leave withdrawn.

The following motion, which stood in the name of Mr. W. Vijayaraghava Mudaliyar, was not moved and was deemed to have been withdrawn :—

20. That under 31-B (b) (4) Education—Secondary, Scholarships in Secondary Schools, the provision of Rs. 14,530 for widows' scholarships be reduced by Rs. 100 (Budget, page 129).

Mr. O. TANIKACHALA CHETTIYAR :—“Mr. President, Sir, my object in giving notice of this resolution is as the amount of reduction indicates, to draw attention to certain irregularities in what I consider to be the management of the institution. It is not that I am wanting in sympathy for the unfortunate people for whom these scholarships are intended, but I do ask the House to consider whether in dealing with these unfortunate beings a distinction is not being made by the officers of the Government which ought not to be made at all. I refer to the fact that though these scholarships are given both to Brahman widows and non-Brahman widows and both classes of widows pay for their board and lodging, the Brahman widows are installed in a place, which is a palace. It was a Raja's residence before it became the property of the Government, where these Brahman widows are lodged, whereas the unfortunate non-Brahman widows who pay the same amount both for board and lodging are being kept in some back portion of Triplicane which is far from healthy. Well, Sir, are the moneys which are being paid to these widows to be used to perpetuate a distinction which we all blame Manu for having instituted? I remember when I was a boy, this palace where the Brahman widows are being lodged bore the honoured name of ‘Keruan's Castle’ and there was an Arbitration Court. I do not know what arbitration work was done there, but I suspect that the arbitrators have passed an award that while one class of unfortunate widows is to enjoy that princely building, the other class should be kept in a very inferior place. This is the difference of treatment which we find there. But, having regard to the fact the Hon'ble Mr. Subbarayalu Reddiyar has given an assurance that it is now proposed to build another building close by where the other unfortunate class of beings will be lodged, I beg to withdraw the motion.”

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Diwan Bahadur M. RAMACHANDRA RAO :—"The Honourable Member has not moved his resolution, Sir."

The Hon'ble the PRESIDENT :—"Has the Honourable Member moved the resolution? I think he must formally move the resolution first as he has delivered a speech."

Mr. O. TANIKACHALA CHETTIYAR :—"Then I move—

21. That under 31-B (b) (4) Education—Secondary, the provision for widows' scholarships be reduced by Rs. 100 (Budget, page 129).

The Hon'ble Diwan Bahadur A. SUBBARAYULU REDDIYAR :—"I distinctly stated, Sir, that it was by a misnomer called 'Brahman wilows' home' and the building that I was referring to is rising next door to it and is a building meant for all classes. That is all that I have to say."

Mr. O. TANIKACHALA CHETTIYAR :—"I beg to withdraw my resolution."

The motion was by leave withdrawn.

P.T.O.

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THE OLD COLLEGE,
NUNCAMBAKAM.

1st April 1921.

Col. 2/4
Es. C. No. 1183 B

Dear Mr. Subbarayalu Reddiar, 4.4.21

1. Thanks for your D.O. of the
30 th March 1921.

2. I shall be very glad indeed to
do all in my power to put into effect the
recommendations already made re the future
working of the "Ice House Hostel".

3. Thank you also for your very
chivalrous defence on my behalf in the
Legislative Council last Saturday.

Yours sincerely,

C. V. S. Reddiar

To

The Hon'ble Mr C. Subbarayalu Reddiar

Minister of Education,

Fort St. George, Madras.

Ed. A. 19 (6) 1183 B

Law Dept.

Cops of the D.O. 27.30.3.21 referred to on p.1 ante has not been received in this office. A Cops may perhaps be obtained from the D.P.S. office. The following T.M. is for approval:-

From Registrar Law Sect.
To - ~~P.A. to the D.P.S.~~

Reference ~~Mr. Drysdale's~~ ^{your} D.O. to the Honable Mr. Subbarajulu Reddiger of 1.4.21 regarding 'Ice House Hotel'.

Will you please arrange to furnish me with a copy of the Honable the Minister's D.O. 27.30.3.21 referred to ~~Mr. Drysdale's~~ ^{your} D.O. of the 1st instant.

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TELEPHONIC MESSAGE.

From *By*
The Director of Public Instruction
To The Registrar, Law Education

Ref. your T. m of 27.5.21 regarding
By. Directors D.O. to Hon Mr. Subbarajulu
Reddiyar on the Subject of Ice House Hotel
Repl. Mr. Drysdale has gone to
England and no copy of the D.O.
is in office.

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This Reply has been recd. aft
Sending two reminders and such

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Law (Edn) Dept

There is no information in this office regarding the recommendations referred to in para 2 of the D.O. on p.1 ante. The D.P.D. may be requested to furnish all available particulars on the Subject.

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I presume the point is to introduce some non-Bah Boarders in the Hostel.

Is any action being taken as the number of inmates have already been announced?

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He 1. The point Dept. Director may be informed of my statement in the R.C. 2/3/21



Recd. 13/6/21



Please see extract from proceedings of the Legislative Council on pp 7-8 ante since received. A copy of the extract may be sent to the D.P.D. for the information and guidance of the Ds Directors. A draft D.O. is submitted for approval. After issue the papers may be

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My dear Littlehales,

I am ~~informed~~

to request you to invite the attention
of the D^r Director to the State-
ment made by the Hon^{ble} the
Minister for Education at the meeting
of the Legislative Council held
on the 26th March 1921 regarding
the future working of the de House
Hotel, Triplicane, a copy of an
extract from the proceedings of
which is herein enclosed

Yours sincerely

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20 R. Littlehales Esq. M.A. M.C.
(D.O. with extract from
Council proceedings)

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