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[Despatch Abstract.]

Legislative Council Question.

Introduction of Charka spinning in schools--Mr.K.
Sarabha Reddi.

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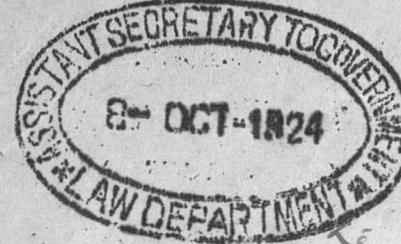
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QUESTION.—No. 1344 for the meeting of the Legislative Council to be held on the *in October* 1924.

SUBMITTED that two copies of this Question may be forwarded to the *Law (Enn.)* Department.

The Question has been admitted.



U.O. No. 3323-Dated 8/10

To The *Law (Enn.)* Department.



Council Office,

Question.

2-10-24

Mr. K. Sarabha Reddi.

THE LAW(EDUCATION) DEPARTMENT.

1344. Will the hon. the Minister for Education be pleased to state:-

- (a) how Charka spinning is a subject of educational value in schools;
- (b) whether ^{it is a fact} the Government are aware that certain local boards have introduced Charka in their schools;
- (c) whether the introduction of spinning has the approbation of the parents;
- (d) whether spinning work in schools has the sanction of the Director of the Public Instruction; ^{and}
- (e) whether there is any European country which has spinning on the Curriculum of studies; and
- (f) whether the Government will be pleased to place all records relating to the introduction and sanction by the Government of Charka spinning in the several schools in the Presidency and whether the Government continue to give its aid to such ~~ex~~ schools?

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Clause (a) of the question

Under the rules framed under the Madras Elementary Education Act practical instruction may be introduced in elementary schools provided that such instruction has reference to the chief occupations or industries of the locality. ^{Local bodies have proposed} ~~Under these rules a few~~ ~~boards and municipalities~~ ^{introduction of} ~~have introduced~~ spinning in elementary schools under their control. As regards secondary schools, so far as the Govt. are aware, spinning has been introduced along with weaving in five secondary schools under the management of the Dt. Board, Nellore, and in the Ramakrishna Residential High School, Madras. The policy of Govt in this matter is to introduce manual training in schools wherever feasible, the subject being chosen with reference to the needs of the locality and the aptitude of the pupils. The answer to this clause may perhaps be as follows:-

"Charka spinning is ^{accepted as} ~~a~~ ^{manual} form of training. Manual training is introduced in schools with a view to train the hand and the eye of the pupil."

2. Clause (b) of the question

The answer may be "Yes"

3. Clause (c) of the question

The answer may be as follows:-

"The Government are not aware that any objections have been raised by the parents".

4. Clause (d) of the question

In elementary schools, the approval of the Dt. Edl. Council is sufficient for the

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21.2.22 (P)

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introduction of spinning. As regards secondary schools, in the cases referred to in para 1 ante the schemes were examined by the expert, Mr. Porrett. It is only on his advice that schemes for manual training including spinning are approved by Govt. The answer to this clause may perhaps be as follows:-

"The introduction of spinning in elementary schools requires the approval of the Dt. Edl. Council. The Advisor to Govt. on ~~vocational~~ manual training and the D.P.I. are consulted in respect of proposals for the introduction of spinning in secondary schools."

5. Clause (e) of the question

The answer may be as follows:-

"The Govt. do not think that any useful purpose will be served by the adoption of the suggestion, but if detailed information is required as regards a particular institution, they will endeavour to furnish it"

"The answer to the latter part of the question is ~~in the affirmative~~."

6. The file may be sent to L.S.G. for acceptance of the draft answer ~~as~~ as it relates to schools under local bodies also. On return, the file may be sent (w) to the D.O.

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I think the D.P.I. should see first. Have Govt. approved of this in any scheme for secondary schools & given grants?

V.T.K.
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Submitted yes. Please see G.O. No. 573 B 10.5.22

+ G.O. No. 1260 B 23.10.22

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U.O. Reply No. 1446 22.10.22

The general administrative and executive position in this matter had better be specifically enunciated before any suggestion is made as to how the question should be answered.

Solar as secondary schools and training schools are concerned any scheme for practical training or vocational work has to be approved by the D.P.I. or by Government, generally the latter. Government have approved of ~~no~~ no scheme of vocational training which includes spinning unless the scheme was primarily a scheme for weaving and spinning was only ~~ancillary~~ thereto.

The educational value to be obtained from the use of the charka ^{alone} is practically nil. The value of instruction in spinning as ^{ancillary} to a course of training in weaving is however not altogether negligible.

With reference to elementary schools Government have delegated their power of prescribing courses of study in practical instruction to D.E.Cs under section 3(v)(b)(4) of the rules framed under the Madras Elementary Education Act of 1920. If a D.E.C. considers that charka spinning has a reference to the chief occupation or industry of the locality and the class of pupils it is open to it to prescribe a course of study in practical instruction given by charka spinning. Moreover a local body is not empowered to spend money from the elementary education fund on practical instruction in charka spinning unless the course has been approved by the D.E.C. (or the D.P.I.).

I have in my office no detailed information with regard to the practical instruction which has been

has been considered by D.E.Cs to be suitable. I have information that in one area, viz., in the area under the Tinnevely Taluk Board, ~~the~~ the charka was being used in certain taluk board schools. I have, however, no information as to whether spinning alone was being taught or whether spinning was being taught in connection with weaving. If the former the educational value is practically ~~nil~~ ^{nil}. If the latter the educational value is not altogether negligible.

So long as the rules framed under the Elementary Education Act of 1920 remain as they are it is not possible for Government to prevent the use of a charka and a charka alone in an elementary school. If taluk boards have introduced the charka alone into their schools for the ostensible purpose of giving instruction in spinning alone I am of opinion that the rules under the Elementary Education Act require modification in regard to the power which it gives to the D.E.C. to permit of this being done.

I suggest then the following answers:-

Clause (a). In its relation to the teaching of weaving.

Clause (b). Yes.

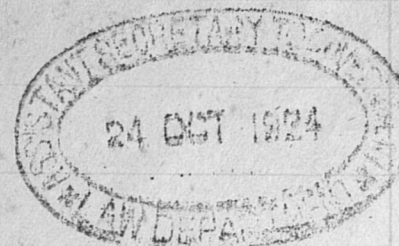
Clause (c). The Government have no information.

Clause (d). The approval of a D.E.C. suffices for the introduction of spinning in elementary schools. The sanction of the D.P.I. is not required.

In secondary schools proposals for introducing spinning ^{are} supported by the Department of Public Instruction ^{only} when and in so far as it is ^{ancillary} to instruction in weaving.

Clause (e). G.O.No.2065 L & M dated 29th July 1924 wherein the President of the Narasapur Taluk Board was informed that the sanction of the D.E.C. was necessary for the ~~introduction~~ introduction of spinning

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Per b ante.

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as a course of study in elementary schools is laid on the table.

Provided that the course of practical instruction is approved by the D.E.C. Government continue to subsidise the local body for elementary education.

Law (Eon) Dept.

The draft answer suggested by the D.P.I. is for approval. It may be sent to L.S.G. for acceptance. That Dept. may also be requested to state whether there are any ~~other~~ ^{other} G.O.s besides that quoted in the answer to clause (e) of the question, which should be placed on the table.

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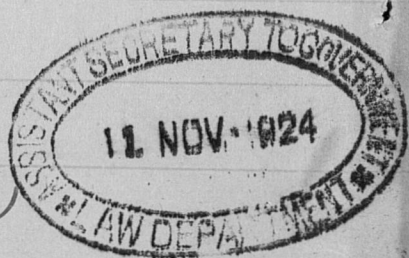
In the following G.O.'s orders were passed on the question of spinning in elementary schools under local bodies.

G.O. no. 2015 LTM	14.10.21
" 2020 LTM	15.10.21
" 2073 LTM	21.10.21
" 457 LTM	9.3.22
" 2957 LTM	22.10.24

It seems the orders passed in
 G.O. no 2015 L & M 14.10.21 and
 no. 2073 L & M 21.10.21 in which
 the Magdipetam & Dimpati mchls.
 were informed of the views of Govt
 in the matter, were placed on
 the table along with G.O. no. 2065
 L & M 29.7.24.

This however for consideration
 whether the answer to the first part
 of cl. (e) may not be as originally
 put up by the Law (Edn) Dept.
 than as suggested by the D.P.G.
 of the latter should be adopted
 then the G.O.'s quoted above
 may also be laid on the table
~~with the modifying~~
 and the draft answer suitably modified

Subject to the above remarks the file may
 be returned to Law (Edn) no. that
 department may be requested to circulate the file
 with the request that it may
 be circulated to M, also.



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~~Instructions to circulation to M2 & M1~~

The answers to clauses (a) to (d) of the
 question, suggested by the D.P.I. are on page 6. As
 regards clause (e) it is for orders which of the
 following may be adopted:-

"The Government do not think that any
 useful purpose will be served by the adoption
 of the suggestion, but if detailed information
 is required as regards a particular institution,
 they will endeavour to furnish it."

Provided that the course of practical
 instruction is approved by the D.E.C. Government
 continue to ~~subsidise~~ ^{pay subsidies to} the local body for element-
 ary education."

Alternative Answer.

"The undermentioned G.Os. are placed on
 the table:-

- G.O.No. 2015 L & M dated 14-10-21
- G.O.No. 2073 L & M, dated 21-10-21
- G.O.No. 2065 L & M, dated 29-7-24

(Proviso same as at A above)

2. The file may be circulated to M2 & M1.

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Answer suggested by
 para 5 on page 4 ante

Answer suggested by
 the D.P.I. on page 7 ante

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Please despatch answer
 to cl. (e) for answer
 clauses (a) to (d) please
 see p. 6 ante.

Desp. Answer.
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Law (Edn) no 2792 B.3
 20/11/24

Introduction of Charka spinning in schools.

1305 Q.—Mr. K. SARABHA REDDI: Will the hon. the Minister for Local Self-Government and the hon. the Minister for Education be pleased to state—

(a) how Charka spinning is a subject of educational value in schools;

(b) whether it is a fact that certain local boards have introduced Charka in their schools;

(c) whether the introduction of spinning has the approbation of the parents;

(d) whether spinning work in schools has the sanction of the Director of Public Instruction; and

(e) whether the Government will be pleased to place all records relating to the introduction and sanction by the Government of Charka spinning in the several schools in the Presidency and to state whether the Government continue to give its aid to such schools?

A.—(a) In its relation to the teaching of weaving.

(b) Yes.

(c) The Government have no information.

(d) The approval of a District Educational Council suffices for the introduction of spinning in elementary schools. The sanction of the Director of Public Instruction is not required. Proposals for introducing spinning in secondary schools are supported by the department of Public Instruction only when and in so far as it is ancillary to instruction in weaving.

(e) The undermentioned Government Orders* are placed on the table:—

G.O. No. 2015, L. & M., dated 14th October 1921.

G.O. No. 2073, L. & M., dated 21st October 1921.

G.O. No. 2065, L. & M., dated 29th July 1924.

Provided that the course of practical instruction is approved by the District Educational Council, the Government continue to pay subsidies to the local body for elementary education.

Mr. S. SATYAMURTI:—"With reference to the answer to clause (a), may I ask the hon. the Minister for Local Self-Government or the hon. the Minister for Education to be good enough to explain a little more clearly what the answer 'In its relation to the teaching of weaving' means? Is it suggested that Charka spinning apart from that has no educational value at all?"

The hon. Rao Bahadur Sir A. P. PATRO:—"Apart from the general education, it has not got a separate value. It is for the training of the eye and the hand; as part of that training that these charkas are used."

Mr. S. SATYAMURTI:—"Therefore, Sir, since the charka trains the hand and the eye, has it not got a value apart from its relation to the teaching of weaving?"

The hon. Rao Bahadur Sir A. P. PATRO:—"The hon. Member can draw his inference."

Mr. S. SATYAMURTI:—"May I know what is the inference of the hon. the Minister for Education?"

The hon. Rao Bahadur Sir A. P. PATRO:—"The reply gives it."

Mr. S. SATYAMURTI:—"Sir, with reference to the answer to clause (e), we are referred to certain Government Orders printed as appendix. With your leave, Sir, I may quote one sentence from that: 'It is, however, open to the District Educational Council . . . to refuse recognition or to cancel or suspend recognition if it is found that the teaching of spinning by wheels is used for purposes of political propaganda.' There is also a similar provision in the Government Order printed below. May I know from the hon. the Minister for Education what is the political propaganda which a spinning wheel is supposed to help to carry out?"

The hon. Rao Bahadur Sir A. P. PATRO:—"Whatever political propaganda that can be carried out with it is prohibited."

Mr. S. SATYAMURTI:—"That is hardly an answer, Sir. May I ask the hon. Member what he means when he uses the phrase 'if it is found that teaching of spinning by wheels is used for the purpose of political propaganda'? What is the nature of the political propaganda which can be helped by this horrible machine, the spinning wheel, and which they are so anxious to prevent?"

The hon. Rao Bahadur Sir A. P. PATRO:—"Any political propaganda other than educational."

Mr. P. ANJANEYULU:—"If by so much spinning and weaving we lessen the importation of foreign cloth, is it in the opinion of the hon. the Minister for Education a political propaganda?"

Mr. J. A. SALDANHA:—"May I ask what is the meaning of 'political propaganda'?" (Laughter.)

The hon. Rao Bahadur Sir A. P. PATRO:—"I would ask the hon. Member to refer to the dictionary."

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Mr. S. SATYAMURTI :—" May I ask the hon. Minister whether Swadeshi, i.e., trying to clothe oneself with the clothing produced in one's own country is part of that objectionable political propaganda which he wants to save our children from? "

The hon. Rao Bahadur Sir A. P. PATRO :—" If it is economic, then it does not come under political."

Mr. S. SATYAMURTI :—" I don't want answer to be obvious. I am simply asking whether teaching boys and girls that they should wear only the clothing made in our own country to the exclusion of all foreign clothing is in the opinion of the hon. the Minister, political propaganda and ought to be prevented in schools recognized and aided by Government? "

The hon. Rao Bahadur Sir A. P. PATRO :—" It is a hypothetical case and does not arise from the answer."

(1)

G.O. No. 2015, L. & M., dated 14th October 1921.

READ—the following paper :—

Letter from the Collector of Kistna, dated the 17th June 1921.

Order—No. 2015, L. & M., dated 14th October 1921.

The Collector of Kistna is informed that, having regard to the provisions of rule 52 (iii) of schedule IV of the Madras District Municipalities Act, 1920, the resolution of the Masulipatam Municipal Council regarding the introduction of spinning wheels in its schools cannot be considered to be illegal. It is however open to the District Educational Council under section 41 of the Madras Elementary Education Act, 1920, in the case of municipal elementary schools and to the Director of Public Instruction under G.O. No. 1942, L. & M., dated the 5th October 1921, in the case of secondary schools, to refuse recognition or to cancel or suspend recognition if it is found that the teaching of spinning by wheels is used for purposes of political propaganda, and in that case the expenditure of municipal funds on the maintenance of such schools will be illegal.

(By order of the Government, Ministry of Local Self-Government)

F. J. RICHARDS,
Secretary to Government.

To the Collector of Kistna.
" Director of Public Instruction.
" Law (Education) Department.
" Examiner of Local Fund Accounts.

(2)

G.O. No. 2073, L. & M., dated 21st October 1921.

READ—the following papers :—

(i).

Letter from the Collector of Chittoor, No. 7614-B-2, dated the 15th August 1921.

(ii)

Letter from the Collector of Chittoor, No. , dated the 21st September 1921.

Order—No. 2073, L. & M., dated 21st October 1921.

The Collector of Chittoor is informed that having regard to the provisions of rule 52 (iii) of schedule IV of the Madras District Municipalities Act, 1920, the resolution of the Tirupati Municipal Council regarding the introduction of charkas in its schools cannot be considered to be illegal. It is, however, open to the District Educational Council under section 41 of the Madras Elementary Education Act, 1920, in the case of municipal elementary schools and to the Director of Public Instruction under G.O. No. 1942, L. & M., dated the 5th October 1921, in the case of secondary schools, to refuse recognition or to cancel or suspend recognition, if it is found that the teaching of spinning by wheels is used for purposes of political propaganda and in that case the expenditure of municipal funds on the maintenance of such schools will be illegal.

(By order of the Government, Ministry of Local Self-Government)

F. J. RICHARDS,
Secretary to Government.

To the Collector of Chittoor.
" Director of Public Instruction.
" Law (Education) Department.
" Examiner of Local Fund Accounts.

(3)

G.O. No. 2065, L. & M., dated 29th July 1924

READ—the following papers :—

(i)

Letter from the President, Taluk Board, Narasapur, Ref. Cur. No. 24, dated the 6th March 1924.

(ii)

Endorsement of the President, District Board, Kistna, No. 1097-D.B., dated the 21st March 1924.

Order—No. 2065, L. & M., dated 29th July 1924.

The President, Narasapur Taluk Board, is informed that the sanction of the District Educational Council is necessary for the introduction of spinning as a course of study in elementary schools.

(By order of the Government, Ministry of Local Self-Government)

P. L. MOORE,
Secretary to Government.

To the President, Taluk Board, Narasapur (through the President, District Board, Kistna).
Copy to the Law (Education) Department.
" Director of Public Instruction.

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