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[Despatch Abstract.]

Children Act - Children, young persons and youthful offenders of the
male sex - North Arcot and Chingleput districts - Applied

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Law (Education) Department.

Extract from the file relating to the
certification of certain ~~public~~^{private} boys' schools under
the Madras Children Act.

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Take this up in a
separate note at once.
The question of accommo-
dation available in the
Senior school has also
to be considered.

V.T.K. 1--1-25

(F)

It is for orders whether the Act may be made
applicable to boys in all the Tamil districts or in
the districts adjoining the localities where the
schools to be certified are situated. As regards the
areas in which the Act is now in force, please see G.O.
No. 1925 dated 9-12-24.

S.K.
13-12-24

K.R.M. 31-12-24

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Sections 4 (a) + 8 of
the Reformatory Schools
Act, 1897.

Section 22 of the Act.

Sec. 23 of the Act.

(Figures taken from the
original justice, the
Jail and the Reformatory
School Reports)

(Taken from Jail
Reports)

68, 50, 26
61 - 76 - 45
129, 126, 71

129
126
71
326
108

Under the Reformatory Schools Act, 1897, boys
under the age 15 years who are sentenced to transporta-
tion or imprisonment may, instead of being ordered to
undergo such sentence, be sent to a Reformatory School,
for detention. Under the Madras Children Act, however,
persons who are under the age of 16 years shall not,
except under certain special circumstances, be sentenced
to transportation or imprisonment but may be sent
~~may~~ to certified schools. The following statement
shows the number of boys under 16 years who were sent
to Reformatory Schools and jails in the years 1921-1923

	Boys under 16 years of age sent to	
	Reformatory schools	Jails
1921	61	116
1922	76	85
1923	45	45
	(53-8)	

The number sent to jails includes persons sent
for periods less than one month and also persons sen-
tenced to imprisonment in lieu of fine. Separate figures
~~are~~ in regard to the boys falling under the several classes of imprisonment
are not available. But of the 116, 85 and 45 boys sent
to jails in the three years noted above, 48, 35 and 19
were detained in subsidiary jails. As these latter are
likely to be persons sentenced to short terms of impri-
sonment, they may be excluded for the purpose of deter-
mining the number of boys likely to be sent to certified
schools annually. If this is done, the average number of
youthful offenders who may be sent to certified schools
in a year is roughly ~~108~~ 108

2. An estimate has now to be worked out as to
how many of these ~~108~~ boys will be sent to the junior and

how many to the senior certified school, if the Children Act is in force in all the districts. Under section 23, ^(of the Children Act) boys under 12 years of age should be sent to the Junior certified school, and those above 12 and below 16 years of age ~~should be sent~~ to the senior certified school. The section also provides that children apparently of the age of 12 or 13 years may, under certain circumstances, be sent to a junior, instead of to a senior certified school. Neither the Criminal Justice nor the Jail report gives information as to the number of boys under 12 years of age who were convicted and sent to jails or the Reformatory. The report of the Reformatory school also does not contain information on the point. But from the Jail Administration Report of 1923, it is observed that, out of a total of 34 boys under 16 years of age admitted into jails ^(including sub-jails) in that year, 8 were under 14 years of age. On the basis of these figures it may perhaps be assumed that, of the 108 boys who are likely to be sent to certified schools annually, 27 will be sent to the junior school and 81 to the senior school.

3. Under section 24 of the Act, the average period of detention in a junior or senior certified school is roughly 4 years. Accommodation will therefore have to be found at a time for 108 boys in junior schools and 324 boys in senior schools. The maximum number of boys ~~in junior schools~~ that can be accommodated in the Senior certified school, Chingleput, is 250; the number that can be accommodated in the junior schools is as follows:-

Ranipet school	50
Home for the Society for the Protection of Children.	29
Anjuman Orphanage, Melvisharam	25
A.A.M. school, Velacheri	30
Indians & Anglo Indians	20
Total	154

page 74 of Report at
36 miles to

There will be a fair number sent under Section 29 of the Act
✓TK

These are the maximum for which provision for boarding has been made

It has been proposed separately to provide accommodation for 100 boys in the Ranipet school. When this is done, there will be accommodation for 200 boys in all the junior schools together. ^(from the above) ~~It~~ it will be seen that there is need for one more senior school if the Act should be extended to the whole presidency.

As regards junior schools, the schools already certified may suffice for immediate requirements. It has, however, to be noted that several boys may be sent to these schools under section 29 of the Act. It is not possible to frame an estimate of the number of such boys. The Act may be introduced gradually and accommodation provided as experience dictates. For the present, it may perhaps suffice if the Act is extended to all municipal areas in the Tamil districts. For orders.

81x
11.1.25.

1834 days (1923)
17.7.24

Statistics. (p. 32. Jail adm. reports 1923)
Show that ~~there~~ 53 boys under 16 years of age were sent to jail in 1923. Of these 8 were transferred to the Rep. School. (para 19. p. 4. of the same report).
Of the 53 sent to jail 19 were in subsidiary jails. So there were 34 boys sent to Central & Dist. jails of whom 8 were under 14 (p. 74 of the same G.O.).
Roughly therefore 1/4 of 34 would have been eligible for admission to Junior Certified School (i.e. below 14 years). On that proportion ^{out of} 108 prisoners boys 1/4 i.e. 27 would be eligible for admission to a Junior Certified School & the rest into a Senior Certified School i.e. 81 roughly. The average period being 4 years we would want

accommodation for 4x27 or 108 boys in
J^r schools + 4x81 or 324 boys in
Senior schools.

We have
now room
for 154 in junior
schools + 250 in
senior school.
2. We have to
provide for section
29 cases
3. The figures are
very approximate
V.T.K.

These figures do not seem to be very
reliable & it is for consideration whether

we should not call for correct figures from
the V.G. of prisons & Shornub
+ D.P.I. (for figures relating to Ref. Schools).

- 1) no. of boys below 12. in Ref. Schools
- 2) - - - - - in jails
- 3) - - - - - of 13. sent to jails & Ref. Schools
- 4) - - - - - of 14 - - - - -

I doubt if
this is necessary.
We shall in any
case have no
figures for
section 29 cases
and then if the
Act is extended,
some cases
in which
imprison-
ment is now
awarded will
be dealt with
otherwise
V.T.K.

19/1

I think, as the schools are all
in N. Arcot & Chingleput Districts
(including the private schools
certified) the Act may be
extended to ~~boys~~ children,
young persons & youth full
offenders of the male sex in
these two Districts. I think we
shall have enough room
in the schools for this. This is
as far as we can go at present

2) If we extend the
Act to these Districts, we
shall gain useful experience
in the working of the Act -
especially in rural areas
V.T.K.
16.1



I agree
17.1

A draft order is submitted for approval.
U.S. (Drafting) may see the notification & advise.
S.A.
21.1.25.



L. O. 223 B
23/1/25

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23.1.25

Drafting 106
23.1.25

The notification is to the
effect that the act will be extended
to N. Arcot & Chingleput from 15th
1.1.25. This may be app'd
V.T.K.
22/1

U.S. (drafting) u.o.
V.T.K.
23.1

I have suggested a slight verbal
alteration in pencil. The
notification is in order.
S
24/1/25

Say 15th March
15th April 1925, so that there
may be time for
all officers to get
acquainted with the Act
V.T.K.
24.1.

Sh. we not tell all D.M.'s about
the institutions we have
certified?
V.T.K.
24.1

Submitted that G.O. No. 12 Law (S.O.), dated
6th January 1925, relating to the certification
of private schools has been communi-
cated to all S.D.s.

Thanks
V.T.K.
26.1

S.A.
26.1.25.

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ORDER.

No. 121, dated 27-1- 1925.

The following notification will be published in the Fort St. George Gazette:-

Notification

In exercise of the powers conferred upon them by sub-section(2) of section 1 of the Madras Children Act, 1920 (Madras Act IV of 1920) as amended by the Madras Children (Amendment) Act, 1924 (Madras Act I of 1924), the Local Govt. are pleased to direct that the whole of the ~~aforsaid~~ Act shall apply to - children, young persons and youthful offenders of the male sex in the districts of ^{North} ~~the~~ Arcot & Chingleput, with effect from the 15th ^{day of} ~~January~~ ^{March} 1925.

To
The D.P.I ✓
The Dt. Magistrate, N. Arcot ✓
The Dt. Magistrate, Chingleput ✓
The Hon. the Chief Justice ✓
(with C.L.)
The Dt. & Sessions Judges,
N. Arcot & Chingleput ✓
The Law (Legve) Department ✓

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1925.

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