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G.O. No. 1233

DATED 15-7-1925

[Despatch Abstract.]

Hostel

Municipal High School, Cotalamund
Badago Students - Subsidy -
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Yr. Obedient Servant
Constant S. Clinton

ENCLOSURES.

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R. C. No. 1098/24

Station Ootacamund., Dated the 10th October 1924.

From (Name) J. A. DAVIS, Esq., M.L.C.,

(Designation) Chairman, Municipal Council.

To The Secretary to the Government of Madras,

Local Self-Government Department.

Fort St. George, M A D R A S.

Sir,

I have the honour to point out that the provision of a hostel for boys of Badagas and other members of Hill Tribes has become an urgent necessity in connection with the working of the Municipal High School. The Director of Public Instruction and the District Educational Officer during their recent visits have recognized the necessity for such a hostel. The Municipal Council has also declared this to be a

necessity

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necessity and I enclose a copy of the Council's resolution passed on the subject.

His Excellency The Governor recently visited the school and in addition to impressing upon me the necessity of providing this hostel has referred to the same in his remarks in the school visitors' book, copy of which is enclosed. Recently Mr. Ari Gowder, M.L.C. interviewed the Hon'ble the Education Minister on this subject and the Hon'ble Minister was pleased to state that if the Municipal Council considered this a necessity, funds for the purpose would be allotted.

Under these circumstances my Council instructs me to bring this matter prominently to the attention of Government with a view to this long felt need being provided. The Council understands that Government will allot the necessary funds for the purpose, the Council finding the site for the building.

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

[Signature]
CHAIRMAN,
Municipal Council, Ootacamund.

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Extract from the proceedings of a meeting of the Ootacamund Municipal Council held on the 9th October 1924

Present:-

- J. A. Davis, Esq., M.L.C., Chairman;
- J. P. Parry, Esq.,
- W. M. Theobald, Esq.,
- M.R.Ry. B. K. Sunja Gowder Avargal;
- S. J. Gonsalves, Esq.,
- A. Aaron, Esq.,
- M.R.Ry. B. Sundram Pillai Avargal; and
- Dhun Hazary, Esq.

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Subject No. II.

Read reports of the Education Committee on:
(1) the construction of a building for the hostel for the use of Badaga boys studying in the Municipal High School.

Resolution.

Sub-committee's report is approved.
The Chairman will address Government as regards funds for financing the scheme.

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(True Extract)

Municipal Office,
Ootacamund, 10th October 1924

[Signature]
Chairman, O. M. C.

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Copy of His Excellency The Governor's remarks
in the visitors' book of the Municipal High School,
Ootacamund, on the occasion of his visit to the school
with Lady Goschen on the 26th September 1924.

"September 26th.

"Lady Goschen and I visited the school this
morning and were very much pleased with all we saw.

"I was much impressed by the intelligence shown
by the children whom we saw at their lessons, and by
the interest they displayed in their work, the more so
that many of them belonged to the Hill Tribes. I hope
that a hostel may soon be built for these latter as many
of them have to walk very long distances over the hills.

"The Headmaster and the staff evidently have the
interests of the school much at heart and I congratulate
them on the result of their labours".

(True Copy)

Municipal Office,
Ootacamund, 10th October 1924)

J. A. M. C.
Chairman, O. M. C.

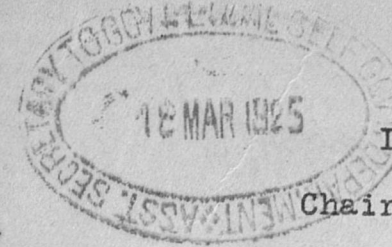
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R. O. C. No. 1980 B/24 Madras Dated 14- 3- 25.

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Letter R.C.No.1098/24 dated 10- 10- 24, from the Chairman, Municipal Council, Ootacamund referred in Government endorsement No.28932-1 L and M dated 13- 10- 24.

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Re-submitted to Government.

2. I recommend the scheme for sanction. The Chairman, Municipal Council, estimates that an initial expenditure of Rs.150 for vessels, and a recurring expenditure of Rs.75 per mensem for items shown in

House rent Rs.45
Cook 15
Servant.... 15

the margin will be required, which he expects Government to meet from provincial funds. No

Rs.75 provision has been included in the next years budget for this purpose. The Headmaster may be allowed to have in his custody a permanent advance, as is customary in the case of hostels attached to Government Training Schools.

[Signature]
for Director of Public Instruction

To

The Secretary to Government,

Local Self Government

Department, Madras

A.R. 16/3/25
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S. [Signature]

Copy of letter R.C.No.1098 dated 3-12-1924 from
the Chairman, Municipal Council, Ootacamund.

I have the honour to state that in addition to the Municipal Council and myself, the Director of Public Instruction and the District Educational Officer during their last visits expressed themselves as to the necessity of such a hostel. I am prepared to put up proposals for the construction of such a hostel with particulars as to site but for the first year, I think it is advisable that a rented building may be used for the purpose. If this latter suggestion is acceptable, I am prepared to place before you particulars as to the buildings available for such a purpose with the rentals of such buildings. As regards the figures called for, I enclose list of boys likely to join the hostel. In considering this list, I trust you will kindly bear in mind that a very large number of the Badaga community who would otherwise attend the school are not doing so for the want of such a hostel. As no risk is being run in that a rented building is to be first utilised for the purpose, I trust you will kindly support the starting of such a hostel for at least 2 years, whereafter should the hostel materially increase the strength of Badaga boys in the school and prove a success, proposals will be sent up for building a permanent hostel.

I must emphasise the fact that the economic condition of the Badagas is such that the majority of the boys in the list will only join the hostel if they are given the special concession at present allowed to the depressed classes in the Madras Government Hostel, or if this is not possible that deserving pupils will at least be allowed to join the hostel at half rates.

Statement showing the number of Badaga students of the Municipal High School, Ootacamund, who are willing to join the proposed hostel.

Serial No.	Class or Form	No. of boys.
1.	V form	3
2.	IV form	9
3.	III form	5
4.	II form	7
5.	I form	17
6.	V class	3
Total		44

(True Copy)

NAA
24.6.25.

Copy of letter R.C.No.1098/24 dated 20/23rd February 1925 from the Chairman, Municipal Council, Ootacamund.

I thank you for your letter No.1980 B/24 dated 9th February 1925. A convenient site for the hostel is available at a monthly rent of about Rs.45. It is hoped to find a suitable warden to take charge of the hostel. The initial expenses on vessels, etc., will come to about Rs.150. The recurring expenditure will be Rs.75 per mensem as noted below:-

	Rs.
House rent	45
Cook	15
Servant	15
Total	75

The Labour Commissioner has kindly promised to give 10 scholarships for 10 Badaga boys entering the hostel and the boys will pay half the actual cost of messing. It is hoped that the scholarships will cover the other half of the messing charges. I therefore request that very early orders sanctioning the opening of a hostel may be passed.

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24.6.25.

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Grant for hostel for Badaga
Students - Cofacammund ml. high
school.

The D.P. J. states that the
ml. cl. expects a subsidy from
Govt for the purpose, an initial
cost of Rs. 150 & an annual recurring
cost of Rs. 75. ^{per mensem} As the hostel

is for the benefit of the
backward classes, this Dept.
may recommend the request
of the ml. cl. & remit the file
to Law (Edu) Dept. for issue of
orders.

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Law (Edu) Dept.
L+m. no no 8053-1
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Law (Edu) Deptt.

There is necessity for a hostel
for the Badaga student. The
Municipal Council requests
a subsidy from provincial fund
to meet a non-recurring expenditure
of Rs 150 for vessels and a recurring

Cost of Rs 75 a month. The Director As the expenditure is small it may be possible for the Council to meet it from its own funds. As, however, the hostel is for Badaga student it is for orders whether, as a special case, the subsidy may be sanctioned. The small expenditure of Rs 825 (180+675) recurring charge for 9 months required in the current year may be met by re-appropriation. The file may be sent to Finance for remarks.

May be sanctioned as a spl. case

recom. the school is met from host funds.

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Law (Edu) no 1062 B-1 4.5.25

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Finance (Exp.)

The chairman's letter and the Municipal Council's resolution refer to a grant towards the construction of a building for the hostel. The D. P. I. has not stated anything about the grant for a building.

2. As regard a grant for initial expenditure on the purchase of vessels and the running expenses of the hostel there is no reason why the Municipal

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Council should not itself bear the expenditure from its own funds. It has not been shown that the finances of the Municipality cannot bear this expenditure. It is not usual for Govt to give grants to local bodies for running hostels. If a grant is asked for on the ground that it is intended for a depressed class, it will seem to come under the activities of the Labour Deptt and the question of providing boarding facilities should be left to the Labour Commissioners. In the circumstances, it is submitted that Finance may advise against the proposal.

3. If Law (Edu) should press this scheme, it should be considered as a scheme of new expenditure and brought forward as a Part II. Scheme for 1926-27. There is no provision in the current year's budget.

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Law (Edu) Deptt.

With reference to A of the Finance deptt's note above it is submitted that the case of the Municipal High School, Ootacamund is quite different

different from that of other Board
and Municipal Secondary schools.

This school was opened in the
year 1916 at the instance of Govt.

when the Breeks Memorial school in G.O.S. put up in
accordance with a trust was confined to Europeans.

The Govt. constructed the buildings
for the school and ~~have~~ ~~will~~ ~~are~~

~~have~~ ~~will~~ ~~are~~ bear the entire net
cost of the school. Further the
hostel is intended for Badagas pupils

who are very backward and
have to walk long distances over
the hills. (Please see ^{copy} this Excellency
the Governor's remarks in the
Visitors' book of the school on p 4 of C.F.)

The Badagas do not belong
to the depressed class as stated
by Finance on page 3 above
and the affairs concerning them
do not come under the activities
of the Labour Dept. For
orders.

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Will Finance reconsider?

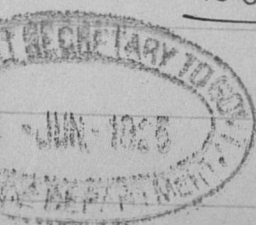
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another file re: extension
to the buildings of the
school.

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Finance (Exp)

Submitted with reference to
Finance note on p.p 2-3 ante.

2. The Govt. have treated this school
very liberally in the past. They have
borne the cost of the school building.

The recurring net cost of the school is
also being met from Provincial revenue.
Any further aid should depend
upon the financial position of the
Municipal Council. The Law (En) Dept.
have not shown that the Municipal
Council cannot bear the expenditure
connected with the hostel.

They have not also explained why
a grant for initial expenditure on the
purchase of vessels and for the recurring
expenses of the hostel has been recommended
while the request of the Municipal Council
is only in respect of a grant for the
construction of a hostel building. Law
(En) may be requested to note on this
point and also to ask the L.S.G. Dept.
to note on the financial position of the Municipal
Council.

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Will Law (En) please undertake further

2. The Council seems to ask Govt to
pay the cost of the building. The Council

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- 1. Finding the site
- 2. The D.P.S. asks for recurring expenditure of Rs. 75/- from which include Rs. 25/- for house rent. What is his house rent? He asks also for non-recurring expenditure of Rs. 150/- for vessels. The Council says nothing about this.
- 3. The scheme being a new one, should go before the Finance Committee. They, no doubt, will require information as to the financial position of the Council & the relative expenditure incurred by it on Education.

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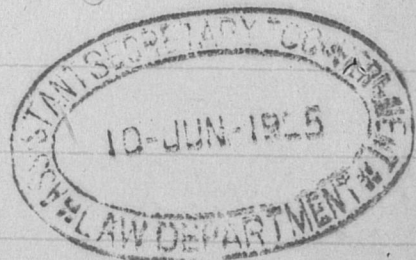
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Law (Edu) Deptt.

With reference to paragraphs 1 and 2 of the Finance Secretary's ~~note~~ above it is submitted that the D.P.S. may be asked why he has recommended a subsidy to the Municipal Council towards an initial expenditure of Rs. 150 and a recurring expenditure of Rs. 75 a month against the Council's request to allot funds for the construction of a building for the hostel, the Council

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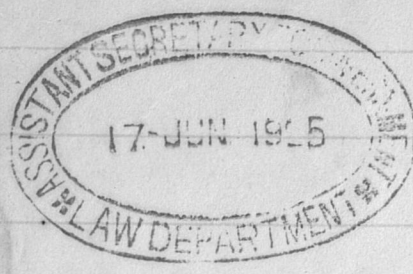
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The reason obviously is that the matter is reported to be urgent. Building a hostel must take time. In the meanwhile, the hostel is to be held in a rented building.

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Council itself finding the site for the building. A draft is note to the Director is submitted for approval.

After issue of the note the file may be sent to L.S. G. u/c for noting on the financial position of the Council.

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13.6.25 [Two notes 1062 B-3 of 17.6.25 issued]

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Uo. Note. No. 1062 B-3
17.6.25

Hostel for Badaga
Students of the Ootacamund
Municipal high school. - D.P.D.
and no. Rot 19805/24 8/12/25. has

The D.P.D. recommended
a subsidy to the Municipal Council,
Ootacamund, towards an initial
expenditure of Rs. 150 for vessels
and a recurring expenditure
of Rs. 75 a month for the opening
of a hostel for Badaga students
of the school. The Council says
nothing about this, but ~~ask~~
requests Govt. only to meet the
cost of the construction of a building
for the hostel, ^{the Council} itself finding the
site for the building. The D.P.D.
may be requested Uo. to state
why he recommends a subsidy
for the equipment of the proposed
hostel, while the Council's request
is in respect of funds for the
construction of a building.

(Cpl) ~~request~~ He may also be
13.6.25 requested to say why a provision of
Rs 45 a month is included in the recurring
expenditure of Rs 75 a month estimated for the
hostel. 12/15/25 V.T.F. 16.6

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The ordinary surplus of the Council under the general account for the 4 years ending with 1925-26 is shown below:-

1922-23 (actuals)	Rs 36,894
1923-24 (do)	24,381
1924-25 (R.E.)	59,890
1925-26 (B.E.D)	63,490

The surplus in 1925-26 will be reduced by Rs. 14,000 to Rs. 49,490 as the Council has, with the sanction of Govt. abolished the Servants' tax and reduced the rate of general property tax from 19 p.c. to 18 p.c. with effect from 1-4-25. The financial position of the Council is sound and it can

even finance a loan of a lakh of rupees, supposing that the hostel costs that sum required. rupees and find the annuity therefor easily from its funds.

2. The Council's budget for 1925-26 is expected to close with a balance of Rs. 1,24,410 in the gen. account. It can easily meet the initial and recurring expenditure (Rs. 150 and 75/- respectively) for the opening of the hostel in the current year.

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Law (Education) Department

U.O. Note.- No. 1062 B-3, dated the 17th June 1925

Hostel for Badaga students of the Ootacamund Municipal High school. - D.P.I.'s endorsement No. R.O.C.1980 B/24, dated the 14th March 1925.

The Director of Public Instruction has recommended a subsidy to the Municipal Council, Ootacamund, towards an initial expenditure of Rs 150/- for vessels and a recurring expenditure of Rs 75/- a month for the opening of a hostel for Badaga students of the school. The Council says nothing about this, but requests Government only to meet the cost of the construction of a building for the hostel, the Council itself finding the site for the building. The Director of Public Instruction may be requested u.o to state why he recommends a subsidy for the equipment of the proposed hostel, while the Council's request is in respect of funds for the construction of a building. He may also be requested to say why a provision of Rs 45/- a month is included in the recurring expenditure of Rs 75/- a month estimated for the hostel.

V. T. Krishnama Achariyar,
Secretary to Government.

To the Director of Public Instruction.

Forwarded to the Director of Public Instruction

(By Order)

E. A. Venkataswami
Superintendent.

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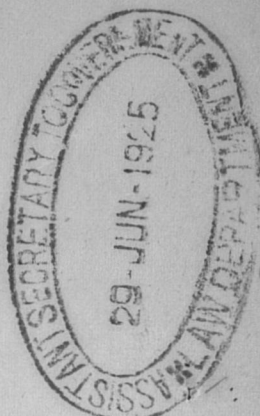
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It is regretted that with my endorsement R.O.C. No. 1980-B/24 dated 14-3-1925 copies of the Chairman's letters explaining the position were not submitted. The original proposal of the Chairman was to construct a hostel for Badagas reading in the Municipal High School, Ooty. The inadvisability of spending money on the construction of a hostel building until proof was forthcoming that a hostel for Badagas would be a success was pointed out to the Chairman. He consequently modified his proposals and suggested that as an experimental measure the hostel ^{might} be held in a rented building for 2 years at the end of which time proposals would be submitted for building a permanent hostel if one was then considered necessary. He also stated that the majority of the Badaga pupils would join the hostel only if they were allowed to reside at concession rates.

As regards the cost of opening such an experimental hostel he reported that the initial expenditure on vessels, etc., would be Rs. 150 and the recurring expenditure Rs. 75 as detailed in the margin of my endorsement referred to above. I append herewith copies of the Chairman's letters.

Law (Edu) Deptt.

A.S.
Please see the L.S.G. note on page 9 ante on the financial position of the Municipal Council, Ootacamund. The finances of the Council are



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are sound and the L.S.G. Deptt. certify that the Council can easily meet the initial cost of Rs. 150 and the monthly recurring expenditure of Rs. 75 for the opening of a hostel for Badaga students. In the circumstances it does not appear that any subsidy should be sanctioned to the Council for the proposed hostel. The Council may try the experiment ^{at its own cost} for two years and if, at the end of that time, the hostel proves a success Govt may consider the question of paying a subsidy for the construction of a permanent building for the hostel. A draft order is submitted.

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Hostel. Municipal high school
Ootacamund - for Badaga
Students - Subsidy - Refused.

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C. No. 1062 B From the C. M. C. Botacamund, No. 1098/24, dated 10. 10. 1924

Endt of the S. P. J. R. or 1980 8/24 14'3". 1925.

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No. 1233 dated 15-7- 1925.

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The Govt are unable to sanction a subsidy to the Municipal Council, Ootacamund, towards the ~~non-recurring~~ initial cost and recurring expenditure ~~for the~~ opening of a hostel for Badaga students of the Ootacamund Municipal high school. As the hostel is to be conducted ^{in a rented building} for two years as an experimental measure, the small expenditure involved should be met

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by the Council from its own funds. If the ~~hostel~~ at the end of the period of two years a permanent hostel is considered necessary Govt will be prepared to consider the question of giving a subsidy for the construction of a building for the ~~hostel~~ ^{purpose}.

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The D.P.D.

.. C. M. C, Cochin.

.. L. S. G. Dept.

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