

Law (Education) (1925) Department.

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[Despatch Abstract.]

Legislative Council Meeting — March 1925

Allocation for Education — Motion
for reduction — Decrease of strength
in the Law and Engineering Colleges — Notes
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Rai Bahadur T. M. Narasimhacharlu:-

388. To reduce the allotment of Rs. 131.11
lakhs for Education-Transferred by
Rs. 1,111.

- (i. To invite a statement as to the working of the University Act.
- ii. Reasons for decrease in the strength in the Law and Engineering Colleges.
- iii. To ask for liberal provisions for buildings and equipment to secondary schools in charge of local bodies, Government bearing the net cost thereof.
- iv. To ask for information about the provincialisation of Headmasters of Secondary Schools under local bodies.
- v. Whether it is not possible to reduce the number of District Education Officers in certain districts at least.
- vi. Why raw juniors on less pay were appointed to Law College as Assistant Professors.

The several subjects on which the members desires information are dealt with below seriatim:-

(i) Working of the University Act.

This is a matter in which the University is in the best position to furnish information. The Government do not receive any report on the working of the Act. The annual report of the Syndicate for the period from the 1st January to 31st December 1923 contains a paragraph about the passing of the Act and the framing of rules regulating the method of election to the various bodies. The report for 1923-24 has not yet been received. The member may get the required information from the University. It may be mentioned that the Government recently received a report from the University that a committee had been appointed to consider the question of establishing a new Kerala University.

(ii) Decrease in strength in the Law College, Madras and Engineering College, Guindy.

The following statement compares the strength

para 5 on pp 2-3
of the report (hurry)
revised

strength of the institutions in the years 1921-22 to 1924-25:-

	1921-22	1922-23	1923-24	1924-25.
Engineering College	520	454	439	250
Law College.	672	704	1,005	889

ascertained from the D. P. 2's office

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The decrease in the strength of the Engineering College is due to the fact that the probationary subordinate and lower subordinate classes were ~~in the current year~~ transferred to the schools of Engineering at Vizagapatam and Trichinopoly. Another reason is found in the circumstance that the chances of employment in the P.W. D. have now diminished owing to retrenchment in the ~~Department of the~~ Department.

As regards the Law College, it is observed that there was a marked increase in the strength of the college in the year 1923-24. This was due to the fact that the April Law Examinations of 1923 were cancelled and candidates who had failed in the F. L. examination were permitted to undergo the B. L. course in the academic year 1923-24. The present strength is no doubt less than that in 1923-24. The year 1923-24 was an abnormal one and should not be taken for purposes of comparison. There is no reduction in the present strength ^{as compared with the strength} in the years 1921-22 and 1922-23. On the other hand there is an increase.

(iii). Liberal grants for buildings and equipment of secondary schools under local bodies.

In the Budget estimate for 1925-26 a provision of Rs. 1.50 lakhs for subsidies for secondary school buildings and of Rs. 15 lakh for subsidies for the equipment of secondary school has been made. In the distribution of the amount the usual principle will be observed, namely, of giving ordinarily a half-grant and in special cases (e.g., necessitous ^{local} bodies) a grant in excess of one-half of the cost. ^{This principle applies both to school the} ~~The suggestion is that the full cost of the buildings and equipment should be borne by Government.~~ ^{net cost of which is met by Govt. and to the schools.} ~~if the suggestion is accepted, it will be placing a premium on extravagance. There will be no in-~~

if para 4 of the report for 1923-24 -
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The govt has been referred to the Academic Council for remarks.

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incentive for a local body to practise economy. There is no reason why a local body which can afford to bear one-half of the cost of a building or of equipment should receive a full grant from Provincial funds.

(iv) Provincialisation of the posts of Headmasters of Secondary Schools under local Bodies.

The Local and Municipal Conference held in July 1920 recommended the formation of a Provincial cadre of headmasters of Secondary Schools under local bodies. The Financial Relations Committee which examined the proposal expressed the opinion that the question of giving effect to it should be deferred until

- (a) the scheme for a district service of secondary school teachers had had a trial;
- (b) the committee of the Senate of the Madras University had reported on the suggestion of the Calcutta University Commission to constitute a Presidency Board of Intermediate and Secondary Education and to dissociate Intermediate from University education; and
- (c) the orders of Government had been received on the report of the committee referred to in (b)

No action was, however, taken on the recommendation as this Department did not favour the scheme for the formation of a District Service.

In reply to a question ^{on the subject} asked by the same member at the meeting of the Legislative Council held in October last, ~~on the subject~~ he was informed that the proposal had been deferred for the present. The Hon'ble the Minister then noted that there was no proposal to organise a district service of secondary school teachers.

(v) Reduction in the number of District Educational Officers.

The inspecting staff for boys' schools

consists of 24 District Educational Officers, 9 in the I.E.S. and 15 in the M.E.S. Having regard to the various functions which now devolve on ~~the~~ D.E.O's, an officer for each district is a necessity and it may not be practicable to do away with any of the 24 posts. In any case a re-organisation of the services in the light of the recommendations in the Lee Commission's report is inevitable and it is premature to consider the question of reduction in the strength of District Educational Officers now.

(vi) Appointment of juniors on less pay as Asst. Professors in the Law College.

In G.O.No. 1702 Law (Education), dated 5-11-24 sanction was accorded to the employment in the ^{Law} College of 12 Assistant Lecturers on a pay of Rs 200 a month in lieu of the staff of Professors and Assistant Professors previously employed. With a view to secure the services of men who can give sufficient time and attention to the work of the college, the Government ~~have~~ directed that the Assistant Lecturers should be selected from among junior practitioners who shall not be of more than six years' standing at the Bar. Apparently the Hon'ble Member proposes to take exception to the choice of Assistant Lecturers being limited in the manner laid down. As regards the number of the Assistant Lecturers and their pay, it is submitted that these have been fixed after careful consideration ~~with the~~ ^{in consultation with the Law College} Council.

2 of these are temporarily held in abeyance and filled by officers in the M.E.S.

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