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Subject.

Government Muhammadan College, Madras - continuance of the B.A. classes.

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R.O.C. No. 718 A/24

Station Madras *Dated the* 4th May 1926

From (Name) R.G.Grieve Esq., M.A., F.R.G.S.,

(Designation) Ag: Director of Public Instruction

To The Secretary to the Government of Madras

Law (Education) Department.

through the Accountant General, Madras

Sir,

p. 6 of GO No 804 (I) 7.5.26

With reference to Government Law (Education) Memo No.1788 C-2 dated 25-1-26 regarding the further continuance of the B.A. classes in the Government Muhammadan College, Madras, I have the honour to state as follows:

2. In the memo quoted supra, the Director has been requested to report on the working of the B.A. classes showing their strength and their popularity or otherwise and giving his recommendations in regard to the further continuance of the classes. The Principal of the College whom I consulted in the matter reports that the strength of the B.A. classes

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in 1925-26 was four - thr[illegible] in the Senior and one in the Junior - as against seven in 1924-[illegible] and that it is an[illegible]cipated that there will be a Junior class of 6 during the next academical year and a senior class of 2. As regards the popularity or otherwise of the classes the Principal observes that so long as the College is affiliated only in Group VI of the B.A. course there can be no marked increase in the strength of the classes as Muhammadan as well as Hindu students rarely select Group VI, and that only practicable way of increasing the strength of the B.A. classes is to provide instruction in the other subjects which Muhammadan students desire to take for their B.A. Degree Examination. The Principal further states that, apart from the appropriateness of Arabic, Persian and Urdu being taught in the Muhammadan College, it will be more efficient if instruction in all grades is concentrated in one college and that even if the B.A. classes are abolished, the college cannot afford to lose the services of the Professor of Arabic, in the Madras Educational Service (permanent) as it is both desirable and necessary that students who take languages as their optionals subjects in the Intermediate course should have the benefit of a graduate teacher. In these circumstances and in view of the fact that the arguments that would apply to the maintenance of a separate second grade college apply with equal force to the continuance of the college as a First Grade Institution. Mr. Green recommends the continuance of the B.A. classes.

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3. The Board of Visitors whom I also consulted on the matter are of opinion that nothing should be done to imperial the status of the college by discontinuing the B.A. classes. They further urge that there is the possibility of the college attracting a "very large" number of students if groups IV and V of the B.A. pass course are opened.

Philosophy
History + Economics

4. On the ground of the popularity of the B.A. classes which is generally measured by the strength and attendance, and also on account of the expenditure involved, I am afraid that it

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is difficult to defend the continuance [illegible]he B.A. classes. However, I recommend the retention of t[illegible]lasses for a further period of one year from 24-6-26 on the assumption that Government will be willing to come to a definite conclusion after Groups IV and V of the B.A. pass course are opened and tried for some time. In this event, I request that I may be permitted to submit proposals for the opening of the above groups as a part II scheme for 1927-28.

re Muhammadan Edn scheme also suggestions – separate file

5. Provision for the continuance of the B.A. classes has been included in the Civil Budget Estimate for 1926-27.

6. I enclose copies of letters No.15/25 dated 22-2-26 and 17-4-26 from the Principal and letter dated 11-4-26 from the President, Board of Visitors on the subject.

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

For Director of Public Instruction

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L. Ed/1535 C (A)

No.Edn.P.A.3/125. OFFICE OF THE ACCOUNTANT-GENERAL, MADRAS,

Fort St. George, 17th May 1926.

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Enclosures.

UNDER SECRETARY TO GOVT. OF MADRAS
LAW DEPARTMENT
19 MAY 1926

Papers recd from PSG 27/5

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Forwarded.

There is no audit objection to the retention, for a further period of 1 year from 24-6-'26, of the temporary staff and establishment employed in the College under G.O.No.1111. Law. (Education) dated 29th June 1925.

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The continuance of the staff has already been sanctioned. G.O.No. 804 7.5.26 (I)

M.E.

Deputy Accountant General.

To

The Secretary to the Government of Madras,
Law (Education) Department.

Law (Edn) Dept

pp 1-3 cf

C. 1555 C - From the D.P.I. Roc No. 718 A/24 d 4.5.26.

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p. 9 cf

Endt by the A.G. No. Edn. P.A.3/125 d 17.5.26.

Subject. Continuance of the B.A. classes in the Government Muhammadan college, Madras.

Vide notes on pages 41-43 of Go No. 1111/29.6.25 (A)

The Government Madrasa-i-Azam was raised to the status of a college in 1918. The Intermediate classes were opened in that year and the B.A. classes were added in 1920. The college classes continue on a temporary basis. The college offers instruction in group iii (History and languages) of the Intermediate course, and group vi (Arabic, Persian and Urdu), of the B.A. Degree course.

Sanctioned in Go No. 804/7.5.26 (I)

2 In connection with the proposal ~~recently~~ sanctioned for the opening of Mathematics and Science classes in the Intermediate course in the college, the Finance Committee, while accepting the proposal, suggested that the Govt. should

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should adopt a definite policy in regard to the place of the College in the educational system of the Presidency. In Memo No. 1788 C-2, d/ 25.1.26 the D.P.I was asked to submit a report on the working of the B.A. classes, showing their strength and their popularity or otherwise, with his recommendation in regard to the continuance of the classes.

p. 17 of G.O. No. 804
7.5.26 (I)

p. 6 of G.O (I)

2 The Director's letter shows that the strength of the B.A classes in 1925-26 was four against seven in 1924-25 and that the anticipated strength in 1926-27 is eight. The reduction in the number of admissions in 1925-26 is attributed by the Principal to the abnormal failures in the Intermediate examination.

p. 2 cf

p. 5 cf

3 As regards the popularity of the classes, the Director suggests that the only way of increasing it is ~~by~~ to provide for instruction in other subjects in addition to languages, such as History and Philosophy.

p. 2 cf

4 The Board of Visitors and the Principal are against the abolition of the B.A classes. The Director's recommendations are:—

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p. 3 cf.

(i) that the B.A classes should be continued for another year;

(ii) that classes in History and Philosophy should be opened, the proposal being considered as a Part II scheme for 1927-28;

and

(iii) that the Govt should come to a definite conclusion after the additional classes ~~[illegible]~~ have been opened and tried for some time.

This has been suggested by the Muhammadan Ed'l Assn of Southern India also. — separate file.

5. The past history of the institution shows the need for proceeding cautiously in the matter of the abolition of the B.A classes. Protests have also been received against the rumoured abolition of the [sic] The Director's prop may be approved.

cf. H.S.'s note on p. 26 of G.O. No. 1111
29.6.25 (A)

6 The present sanction for the entire establishment for the Intermediate and the B.A. classes expires on the 24th June 1926. Sanction for its continuance has already been accorded in G.O. No. 804 d/ 7.5.26

7 The file may be sent to Fin. for acceptance of the proposals in paragraph ~~5~~ 4 above.

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Edn. No/1551-1
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Under Secretary to Govt. of Madras, Law Department, 2 JUN 1926

Assistant Secretary, Finance Department, 2 JUN 1926

Finance (E.T.)

× para 1 on p.41 of G.O. 1111 / 29-6-25 at flag Ⓐ

portion M on p.2 ibid

The Madras Retrenchment Committee recommended× the abolition of the ~~B.A.~~ College classes of the Govt. Muhammadan College, Madras. It was considered extravagant# to maintain a college costing about Rs. 24,000 a year for the benefit of 28 students. The question of the retention of the college classes was considered at a conference held in November 1924 of leading Muslim representatives under the presidency of H.E. the Governor and it was decided that the college should be retained as a second grade college, seats being reserved in the Presidency College, Madras for those students who wished to join the B.A. classes. The D.P.I. -- however recommended the retention of the B.A. classes in view of the fact that the transfer of the B.A. classes to the Presidency College offered neither immediate nor ultimate financial advantage. Further continuance of the B.A. classes for one year from 24-6-25 accordingly s sanctioned and the Director was requested θ to sub- t a report on the working of the classes showing eir strength and their popularity or otherwise, with s recommendations in regard to the further continuance of the classes.

p47 ibid

p19 ibid

θ memo. 1788 C-2 / 25-1-26 on p.6 c.f. of G.O. 804 d/7.5.26 flag Ⓘ

2. The statement shown in the margin gives he strength of the B.A. classes since 1921-22. From this it would appear that the college was never popular. The Director states that he could not recommend× the retention of the classes on the ground of popularity. He however recommends× the retention for a further period of one year from 24-6-26 on the assumption that Govt. will be willing to come to a definite conclusion after groups IV and V of the B.A. pass course are opened and tried for some time. Having regard to the opinion of the Principal ⓑ that the strength he B.A. classes will increase if instruction is

	Junior B.A.	Senior B.A.	Total
1921-22	..	2	2
1922-23	2	..	2
1923-24	3	2	5
1924-25	3	4	7
1925-26	1	3	4
1926-27 (anticipated strength)	6	2	

× para 4 of letter on pp.2-3 c.f.

ⓑ portion N on p.2 c.f.

× para 3 on p.2 c.f.

portion A on p.15 of [illegible] at Ⓐ

the Board of Visitors× of the College that nothing should be done to imperil the status of the college by discontinuing the B.A. classes and in view of the Director's remark# that there is no financial advantage in abolishing the B.A. classes, Finance may perhaps agree to the continuance of the B.A. classes for a period of one year from 24-6-26.

⊗ of para [illegible] (iii) of Law note on p.3 supra

3. The question of opening Philosophy and History classes in the B.A. course is proposed⊗ to be brought forward as a Part II scheme for 1927-28. No remarks are called for now on this point.

4. There is budget provision for the continuance of the B.A. classes.--*vide* para 5 on page 3 c.f.

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14.6.26

No objection need be taken on financial grounds to the continuance of the B.A. classes in Arabic, Persian, & Urdu, which - I understand - are held in this College alone.

But I think objection should at once be taken on financial grounds to the proposal to open B.A. classes in other groups - in which instruction is already provided at the Presidency College.

Please circulate to H.M. Ch

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SECRETARY TO GOVT. OF MADRAS
17-JUN-1926
LAW DEPARTMENT

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~~6~~ ~~14~~ Law (Edn.) Dept:

The Finance Department agrees to the retention of the B.A. classes in the Government Muhammadan College, Madras, for a further period of one year, but objects to the proposal that instruction should be provided in Philosophy and History in the B.A. class course. p. 5 ante

The Director, however, states that the only practicable way of increasing the strength of the B.A. classes is to provide instruction in other subjects, besides languages, in which instruction is now offered. 'N' at p. 2, c.f.

2 The Muhammadan Educational Association of Southern India recently represented that Muhammadan boys found it difficult to secure admission in the Presidency College and other colleges in the city and requested that the Govt. Muhammdan college, Madras, should be made self-contained by provision being made for imparting instruction in Philosophy and History in the B.A. course. (Go. not readily available) // A

The file may be circulated to M.2. and C.4.,

G.N.
18-6-26 C3 may also like to see.

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It may be self supporting or at least more popular if A is adopted. The proposal of D.P.I. may be tried for two years in History at least.

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28 JUN 1926
LAW DEPARTMENT

I think we are bound to try the suggestion of my Hon'ble Colleague. In view of the figures relating to the Presidency College, it is difficult to resist the argument that the real demand for B.A. Classes has not been properly tested. I forget what group VI is. Possibly, that group should be abolished and the other substituted. p. 7 c.f.

27-6-26.

For the subjects comprising group* VI of the B.A. Degree course, please see pages 280-281 of the Madras University Calendar for 1925-26, Vol I. At present instruction is imparted in Persian, Arabic and Urdu of group VI in the Govt. Muhammadan College. Students taking up group VI in the Presidency College, Madras, and in the Muhammadan college receive instruction from the Professor of Arabic employed in the latter institution.

* Languages other than English

put up.

para 4, p. 2 of ~~Corr.~~ 637
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LAW DEPARTMENT

Muslim sentiment is not in favour of the abolition of group VI in the Muhammadan college. please see portions marked 'B' and 'A' on pages 5 and 8 of the c.f.

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2 For orders whether the DPI may be authorised to bring forward the proposal for the opening of group ii (economics

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×Economics) of the B.A. Degree Course in the Muhammadan College as a Part II scheme for 1927-28. It is presumed that Philosophy (group iv) is not to be provided for.

× Apparently the Director means group V. A.

3 The file may be circulated to M₂ and C₄.

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My Hon. C.A. & myself agree that the suggestion made in regard to Hist-Economics may be tried along with the existing course in Languages. The College may continue to work for another period & D.P.I may be requested to work up Part II proposal immediately.

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A draft ~~orders~~ order is submitted.

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In the draft 'group V·A' is used instead of group V, as the latter includes group V.B also which provides for advanced study of Economics.

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SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS
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ORDER. No. 1290, dated 9. 7. 1926.

Ms

The Government approve of the proposal of the Director of Public Instruction that the B.A. classes in the Government Muhammadan College, Madras, should be continued for a further period of one year from the 24th June 1926.

Sanction for the continuance ~~for~~ of the staff and establishment ~~required~~ employed for the classes has been accorded in G.O. No. 804 Law (Edn) of 7.5.26.

2 The Director of Public Instruction is requested to submit proposals for the opening of classes in group V.A (History and Economics) of the B.A. Degree Course in the College, as a Part II scheme for 1927-28.

3 The Government consider that classes in group IV (Psychology, Ethics, and Logic or a Language) of the B.A. Degree Course need not be opened in the College at present.

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