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NOTES CONNECTED WITH A RESOLUTION ON MATTERS OF GENERAL PUBLIC INTEREST.

[For the meeting of August 1925.]

[SUBJECT.—*Nambudri Education.*]

COUNCIL OFFICE.

Rao Bahadur O. M. NARAYANAN NAMBU-DRIPAD :—

120. That this Council recommends to the Government that a committee be appointed to consider the educational needs of the Nambudri community and to suggest measures to be undertaken in order to promote the spread of modern education in that community.

LAW (EDUCATION) DEPARTMENT.

Mr. O. M. Narayanan Nambudripad gave notice of an identical resolution for the meeting of the Legislative Council held in March last. The resolution was not however moved then. The present resolution has obtained a place in the balloted list.

2. The following is a copy of the note which was written on the resolution :—

“The Census Report does not furnish information as to the general literacy of the Nambudris. It is believed, however, that the community is very backward in point of English education. In response to a circular on the question of revising the list of backward classes appended to the Madras Educational Rules, the District Secondary Education Board, Malabar, has suggested *inter alia* that the Nambudri community may be included in the list of backward classes.

“2. In the addresses presented to Governors on several occasions it has been represented that, owing to their religious customs and habits, Nambudri children are at a disadvantage in availing themselves of the education provided in the public schools and that a separate secondary school should be opened for them. The Government have uniformly taken up the position that the Nambudris, constituting as they do a well-to-do class, should take the initiative in the matter of starting a school and that, if they actually open a school, the department will be ready to recognize and aid it under the rules. [Please see also the question and answer in G.O. No. 1196, Law (Education), dated 11th July 1925.]

“3. The point of the resolution is that a committee should be appointed to suggest measures for promoting the spread of modern education among the Nambudris. It is not clear why a committee is at all needed. The Nambudris are in affluent circumstances. There are several other communities which are not only backward in point of education but are also in financial distress and it will be a difficult task if a committee should be asked for in each of those cases to consider the means of spreading education among them. On the other hand, there can be no serious objection to the appointment of a committee, as it is only to suggest measures. If special measures are needed, the first thing to do in the ordinary course would be to call for a report from the department and then see whether a committee is necessary.

“4. For orders whether any further information should be called for and whether the resolution should be discussed in the Cabinet.

C. RAMANUJA ACHARIYAR—27-3-25.

V. T. KRISHNAMA ACHARIYAR—27-3-25.

Hardly any case for a committee.

A. P. P[ATRO]—27-3-25.”

For orders whether any further information should be called for.

C.P.A.—12-8-25. K.M.V.—12-8-25.

C.R.—13-8-25.

V.T.K.—13-8-25

Please put up the day before the resolution will be reached.

A. P. P[ATRO]—13-8-25.

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Mr. O.N. Naryanan Nambudiripad.

311. To reduce the allotment of Rs. 2,34,000
for scholarships by Rs. 100.

(To draw the attention of Government to the
desirability of ear-marking a few scholarships
to students of the Nambudiri Community.)

Law (Education) Deptt.

The policy of the Government in the insti-
tution of scholarships is to help poor pupils of
promise who are unable to prosecute their studies
without assistance. Scholarships are of two kinds:-

(i) General scholarships available to all class-
es of pupils. In their distribution preference is ^{however}
of those sections of the community who are in need ^{and specially}
given to the claims of Adi-Dravidas, Adi-Andhras,
Muhammadans, ~~Orizyas~~ Oriyas and members of other
backward classes.

(ii) Special scholarships granted for Muhammadans,
Mappillas,
Adi-Dravidas, Adi-Andhras and pupils belonging to
the aboriginal and criminal classes.

Poor pupils of the Nambudiri community will be
eligible for the 1st class of scholarships. The
latter class of scholarships has been instituted
in the case of communities which are backward in
Education and at the same time in financial stress.
The Nambudiris in British Malabar are considered to
be in affluent circumstances as a whole, though
backward in English Education. To earmark any ~~schol-~~
scholarship to this community ~~is~~ will therefore be
opposed to ^{the} general ~~principles~~ policy.

2. It may be incidentally noted that this com-
munity was for a long time pressing for the establish-
ment of a special ~~high~~ school for them on the ground
that their religious and social habits precluded their
youth from joining public schools, ~~and that~~ The Govern-
ment ^{have} ~~consistently~~ refused to comply with the request
and informed the community that they should take the

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 initiative in the matter. Mr. Nayayanan Nambudiripad himself interpellated Government on the subject in March 1925. He also gave notice in April and August last of resolutions on the subject of the appointment of a committee to consider the educational needs of the Nambudiri community and to suggest measures to be undertaken in order to promote the spread of modern education in that community. The resolutions were not moved.

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