

Law (Education) (1926) Department.

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G.O. No. 720

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[Despatch Abstract.]

Legislative CouncilResolution - inclusion of
Agriculture in the Curriculum of
Secondary Schools - Note - Recorded.

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Resolutions.

280. Mr. N. Devendrudu.
 281. Mr. B. Obalesappa.
 282. Mr. G. Premayya.
 283. Rao Sahib R. Srinivasan.
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THE LAW (EDUCATION) DEPARTMENT.

"That This Council recommends to the

Government that the subject of agricul-

ture may be included in the curriculum -

of all the middle and high schools in the

Province."

T.N.G.

The resolution on page 1 ante has been ballotted for the next meeting. The resolution recommends that agriculture may be included in the curriculum of all the middle and high schools in the Presidency. 'Agriculture' is included in the list of optional subjects for the S.S.L.C. Public Examination. The subject is taught in only three or four high schools in the Presidency. The M.L.Cs. who have given notice of the resolution apparently desire that the subject should be taught compulsorily in all secondary schools. This suggestion is not feasible of adoption. For the teaching of agriculture a ~~small~~ demonstration form ~~may be~~ ^{is} required. It may not be possible to arrange for ~~this~~ ^{such form} in connection with all secondary schools. Further, the inclusion of this subject in the list of subjects compulsorily taught in schools will make the curriculum unduly heavy. It may also mean the elimination of other useful subjects such as History, Elementary Science, etc. which are essential for a sound system of general education.

2. It may also be noted here that the officers of the Agricultural Department are of opinion that 'agriculture' as such should not be ^{taught} ~~taught~~ in ordinary ~~secondary~~ schools. The Committee appointed in 1919 recommended that 'rural science' should be substituted for 'agriculture' in the secondary school course. This recommendation was accepted by the Government, but subsequently the D.P.I. expressed ~~ed~~ the opinion that provision was needed in the upper classes of secondary schools for both agriculture and rural science, the ~~former~~ for those who intended to complete their education at the end of the high school course and the latter for those desirous of continuing their studies

Para 17 of G.O. 1302 (P)
6.11.20

Please see notes on page 17 to 21 of G.O. 1874 (W)
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further and taking a degree or diploma in agriculture.
The Govt. agreed with the Director and the draft
syllabuses drawn up by the officers of the Educational
Department in the two subjects were approved in G.O. (W)
1874 dated 28-11-24.

3. Mention may also be made here of the fact
that the secondary education committee presided over
by Sir Venkataratnam Nayudu recommended that a course
introductory to agriculture should be optional in
middle schools and that a course in agriculture should
be included in the group of optional subjects in the
high school stage. No orders have yet been passed on
the recommendations of the Committee. *The matter may
also be brought before the Committee that is shortly to be summoned to consider the reorganizing of Sec. Ed.*

4. 'Agriculture' as a form of manual training
is taught in the U.F.C.M. High School, Chingleput.

Proposals for its introduction in the Board High School,
Ramachandrapuram, and in the high schools at Palakonda
and Poonamallee are under consideration. The Development
Department which was consulted in connection with
the scheme relating to the Palakonda school noted
that the whole question of agricultural education
would be discussed shortly at a meeting of the
Advisory Committee of that Department.

5. Orders are solicited as to whether any
further information should be called for and as to
who will be in charge of the resolution.



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Resolutions on matters of General Public Interest.

SUBJECT.—No. 541 for the meeting of the Legislative Council to be held on the 14th and 15th Decr 1925.

SUBMITTED that two copies of this Resolution may be forwarded to the Development Department. The Resolution has been admitted.

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U.O. No. 3331-^{Le} dated 20.11.25.

To

The Development Department

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for the meeting of the Legislative Council to be held on the 13th Nov. 1925.
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Resolution.

Mr. K. Raghuchandra Ballal.

THE LAW (EDUCATION) DEPARTMENT.

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THE DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT.

541. That this Council recommends to the

Government that they may be pleased to issue

a Government Order to make proper arrangements

to introduce agricultural instruction in all

secondary schools in this Presidency.

T.N.C.

However, the teaching of the subject in accordance with the syllabus prescribed by the Director of Public Instruction has been permitted in certain schools and there are also proposals for consideration in the Law (Ed.) Dept. to introduce the subject in some more schools.

It appears that the Council will take up the resolution if it is laid before the Council.



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To Under Secretary

Please see the Legislative Council resolution at page 2 ante. A similar resolution received by the Law (Education) deptt. was balloted for discussion during the last session of the Legislative council, but it was not discussed in Council as it was not reached.

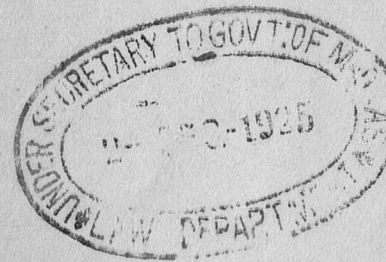
The Director of Agriculture has strongly objected to the teaching of Agriculture, as such, in ordinary secondary schools as is now done in a few schools under the control of the Educational department, for several reasons the chief of them being, that the Agricultural department is the only department fitted for the teaching of the subject and that Agriculture is not a subject which can be taught in a class-room from a text-book. His proposals for Agricultural education in this presidency are engaging the attention of Government and these will be discussed at the next meeting of the Standing Advisory committee on Agriculture.

However, the teaching of the subject in accordance with the syllabus prescribed by the Director of Public Instruction has been permitted in certain schools and there are also proposals under consideration in the Law (Edn.) deptt. to introduce the subject in some more schools.

It appears that M₂ will take charge of the resolution if it is balloted. The file may be transferred to Law (Edn.).

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The result of the ballot may be awaited and it is most unlikely that this will come up for discussion in the next session this month.

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