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[Despatch Abstract.]

Legislative Council--budget motion--fee concessions
in secondary schools under local bodies--notes recorded.

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Mr. R. Veer/An:-

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67. To reduce the allotment of Rs. 9,17,400 for Grants to Local Bodies for Secondary Education by Rs. 100/-

(To raise the question of indiscriminately giving school fees concessions to pupils of other communities than those mentioned in the rule 92 of the Madras educational rules.)

Law (Education) Deptt.

Under Rule 92 of the Madras Educational Rules half fee concessions are granted to Muham-madans, Oriyas, girls and members of backward classes and castes whose parents are so poor that the grant of this concession is necessary to enable them to continue their studies. The concession cannot be granted to ~~any~~ pupils of any community other than those mentioned above and it is not understood what the M.L.C. means by indiscriminate grant of fee concessions. No case has till now come to the notice of Government of the concession having been granted to ^{pupil of a} any community not eligible therefor. As the motion is under the head 'Grants to Local Bodies' it may be that the M.L.C. thinks that the rule is not strictly observed in schools ^{under} local bodies. The file may therefore be sent to ^{u.o.} L.S.G. for remarks.

If the M.L.C. has in mind the grant of the ten per cent fee concessions allowed in secondary schools under article 32 of the Grant-in-aid Code, it is submitted that the eligibility for the concession of this description is left to be determined by managers and heads of institutions subject to the condition that the scheme for the award ~~for~~ of the ~~Concession~~ ^{Concession} is approved by the D.P.I. This concession is not limited to any particular community and is allowed also in schools under municipal councils and local bodies.

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It may be noted that these concessions are ^{only} applicable to bonafide poor pupils and do not in any way affect the special privileges allowed to the backward ^{to the} classes.

~~These concessions are not applicable to the backward classes who are poor, but are also the rules published under G.O. No. 635 dated 24.2.25 and G.O. No. 1198 dated 6th April 1925. under which local bodies may, in accordance with a scheme framed by them and approved by the D.P.I., remit the whole or part of the fees of poor pupils of any Government school or college to the local bodies. These rules have the force of law and are binding on local bodies. Invariably observing these rules since a few years however there has been a complaint that there has been an indiscriminate grant of fee concessions. Recently for instance there was a case from the Bangalore High School and another from the Mysore High School. Both of them are now under consideration. With these remarks the file may be referred to Law (Gen) No. 123726 dated 12.3.26.~~

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To L.S. with ref. to para. 1 of note overleaf.

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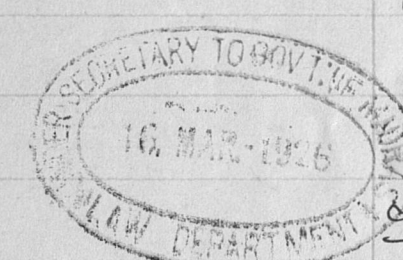
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As per from Rule 92 of the M.E.R. under which ^{only half fees can be remitted from} ~~parents~~ half fee concessions to Mahomedans, Oriyas, girls and members of backward classes & castes whose parents are poor. There are also the rules published under G.O. No. 635 dated 24.2.25 and G.O. No. 1198 dated 6th April 1925. under which local bodies may, in accordance with a scheme framed by them and approved by the D.P.I., remit the whole or part of the fees of poor pupils of any Government school or college to the local bodies. These rules have the force of law and are binding on local bodies. Invariably observing these rules since a few years however there has been a complaint that there has been an indiscriminate grant of fee concessions. Recently for instance there was a case from the Bangalore High School and another from the Mysore High School. Both of them are now under consideration. With these remarks the file may be referred to Law (Gen) No. 123726 dated 12.3.26.

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It would seem that the Ven. Secy. for the L.S. has recommended that the two cases be referred to the L.S. for consideration. With these remarks the file may be referred to Law (Gen) No. 123726 dated 12.3.26.

Law (Educ) Dept

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* Mr. R. VEERIAN :—" I beg to move

that the allotment of Rs. 9,17,400 for grants to local bodies for secondary education be reduced by Rs. 100."

"I want to raise the question of indiscriminately giving school-fee concessions to pupils of communities other than those mentioned in rule 92 of the Madras Educational Rules. In G.O. No. 855, dated 19th May 1925, it is mentioned that the concession is applicable only to the backward and depressed classes. But several instances of breach of this rule have come to my notice and I want to mention only one. In the case of the Coimbatore Municipality there are only a very few pupils of the depressed classes reading in their secondary schools. But I find that pupils of the forward classes also are receiving scholarships and are getting concession. I think, Sir, the local bodies cannot make this remission of fees without the approval of the Director of Public Instruction. The local bodies can only recommend the cases for the consideration of the District Educational Officer. If the local bodies think that there are pupils in other communities, Brahmans and Non-Brahmans, Vellalas also who are equally poor, even then they cannot take advantage of this rule. Even the Caste Hindu Vellala boys are not eligible to get this concession. Such being the case, how can they give full remission of fees in the case of Brahmans? The Adi-Dravida boys apply for concession; but for want of godfathers they do not get it. I hope the hon. Minister will look into the matter and set right the defect."

* The hon. Rao Bahadur Sir A. P. PATRO :—" Sir, the hon. Mover has stated that rule 92 has been misused in a particular municipality and fee-concessions are given to pupils of communities which are not entitled to this concession. If a municipality abuses this rule and gives concession to pupils who are not entitled to receive the concession under this rule, then in calculating the amount of help or subsidy to the local body or the municipality

[Sir A. P. Patro]

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we take it that the student in question has paid his full fees and the income of the school is measured accordingly. Thus by the abuse of this rule it is the municipality itself that suffers. I am sure the Coimbatore Municipality will not be so unwise as to misuse this rule; because they know that they could not derive any profit by that course. The rule reads thus :

"92. *Exceptions.*—In institutions of a professional or special character, fees shall be levied at such rates as may from time to time be sanctioned by the Director or as may be prescribed by any rules sanctioned by Government for them. Fees in all institutions shall be levied at half the standard rates from Muham madans, Oriyas, girls and members of backward classes and castes whose parents or guardians are so poor that the grant of this concession is necessary to enable them to continue their studies . . ."

"Of course in cases of doubt such pupils have to produce poverty certificates to show that they are really poor and cannot afford to pay the full fees. The backward classes and castes are specified in a list that is attached to this rule. If concession is given to any class or caste that is not recognized in the list attached it is illegal and it is an abuse of rule 92 and Government will certainly not recognize such concessions in giving aid to such institutions."

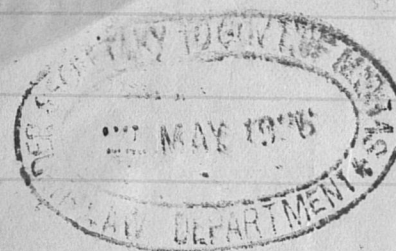
* The hon. the PRESIDENT :—" Is the hon. Member withdrawing the motion ?"

* Mr. R. VEERIAN :—" For the information of the hon. Minister I may mention that such pupils get full concession there."

* The hon. the PRESIDENT :—" The hon. Minister has already said that the institutions do so at their own risk."

The motion was by leave withdrawn.

* The hon. the PRESIDENT :—" The hon. Member Mr. Saldanha cannot move motions 574 and 575 on the paper under this Demand. They relate to the Local Self-Government Department."



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As stated in the notes at

page 3 ante, the concessions

complained of by Mr. Veerian are

presumably those granted under

the 10 p.c. fee remission scheme.

No action is necessary on these

papers. They may be

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