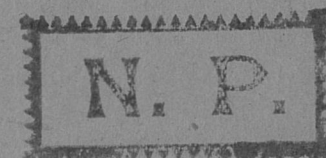


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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT.

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A. T. PRINGLE,
Assistant Secretary to Government
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To
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NOTES CONNECTED WITH G.O., No. 573, EDUCATIONAL
DATED 19TH SEPTEMBER 1902.

[SUBJECT—*The inclusion of Kallars and Maravars among backward classes.*]

The Director's opinion was asked by telegram, yesterday, on paragraph 4 of the address which the district board of Tinnevely propose to present to His Excellency on the occasion of his next visit to the district. Copy of the telegram was not kept by a mistake. The Director has now replied by telegram and letter. It is submitted that his recommendation to include Kallars and Maravars among backward classes may be accepted and the draft placed below issued.

P. T. THARYAN.—12-9-02.

A. T. PRINGLE.—14-9-02.

I don't see any objection though I don't see that education will much affect the character of these thieves and rowdies for a long time to come.

J. T[HOMSON].—19-9-02.

The draft may now issue.

A. T. PRINGLE.—19-9-02.

[G.O., No. 573, Educational, dated 14th August 1902.]

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This paper may be put away
have explained the matter to the
14/11/02



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Please note about 15
My dear Hamrick
With reference to
the notes connected
with G.O. No 573 Ed?
dated 19. Sep. 1902
I am desired to point
out that para 4 of the
Ministry S.D. order

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was sent to the office
for observations: ~~but~~
the opinion of the
S.P.I. was asked for
and this
was communicated to
me. H.E. framed his
reply to the S.P.I.
accordingly in the first

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instance, but without
waiting for the opinion of
the President of the S.P.I.
action was taken on
the letter of the S.P.I.
the G.O. ^{which was to the S.P.I. - about} ^{came in he left Oct 19th} ^{the 19th} ^{Sept 2nd} ¹⁸⁹⁴ was before
H.E. accordingly had
to alter his reply. He
understood from the
S.P.I.'s address & also from

Mr. Buckley that the
D. P. I. could not afford
to pay grants to Maravar
schools at the extra
rate now ordered
without reducing
Expenditure under other
grants or without a grant
from Provincial Funds
wh. the D. P. I. is not
disposed to recommend.



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The D. P. I. says in
para 2 of his letter
that with the liberal
grants wh. it is
expected will hereafter
be paid in full it
will be possible to
maintain schools
for Maravar at little

or no expense.

It seems probable that funds as apprehended
he means expense of the St. B. and the
to Provincial funds - Collector -

and H.E. would
be glad to know
whether or not the
Go. will entail

Extra cost on St. B.

Yours sincerely
L. W. Wynne

Extract from the address to be presented
by the Tinnevelly M. Bd.

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3. We regret we have to admit that our roads are by no means what they should be; and we are therefore all the more grateful to Your Excellency's Government for the most liberal and timely grant of Rs.20,000 towards their improvement. We respectfully venture to express our hope that Your Excellency's Government will be pleased to allot a similar grant in future years.

4. We beg to inform Your Excellency that a beginning has been made in a small way towards the education of the Maravar Community by the opening of four free schools for their special benefit in Maravar centres. The Inspecting Agency and the Director of Public Instruction seem to be in favour of having a Maravar school in each taluq, at the same time recognizing the Maravars as a backward class. This would mean the opening of five more schools involving a large additional expenditure; and the grant from Local Funds for education is already a considerable one and the money required cannot be found except at the expense of allotments under other grants. We therefore respectfully request that Your Excellency's Government may be pleased to help us by making a special annual grant from Provincial Funds in consideration of the peculiar circumstances of this district. We trust that these measures of the amelioration of such an educationally backward class as the Maravars will result in the permanent elevation of that community.

5. It is very desirable that the traffic in this district should be developed by supplying greater facilities of transport, and better means of communications; with this end the construction of a railway between Sarnadevi (a station on the Tinnevelly-Quilon Railway) and Panagudi (a town near the Travancore border) is now occupying the attention of the Board.

Tinnevely District Board.

GENTLEMEN OF THE TINNEVELLY DISTRICT BOARD,

Lady Ampthill and I beg you to accept our warm thanks for the cordial welcome of which we have been assured, not only by your address, but also by your presence here. As I do not claim to have done anything more than my simple duty in endeavouring to acquaint myself personally with the wants and grievances of the people, I am grateful to you for the appreciation which you have so kindly expressed. I have always gone on the principle that there is nothing like a little encouragement for the toilers in every walk of life, and you may take it from me that even Governors are the better for an occasional pat on the back. It serves at any rate to counteract the abuse to which they are subjected at least as much as other people. So long as everybody gets his fair share of both kicks and half pence, no harm is done and I have certainly nothing to complain of in that respect. If I am sometimes misunderstood and abused, it is more than made up for by the very generous praise which I meet with at other times.

I am glad to observe that you are alive to the importance of maintaining your roads and communications in good order. As you are doubtlessly aware, the first beginnings of local taxation in this Presidency took the form of a cess for the improvement and maintenance of district roads and I understand that, to the ordinary ryot, the contribution which he makes to Local Funds is generally known by the name of "road cess." The benefit of good roads for the transport of produce is of course more widely shared in by the mass of the tax-payers than any of the other benefits which the expenditure of Local funds is intended to secure, and hence the policy of Government has been to insist on the expenditure of a minimum of half the land cess plus the net receipt from tolls on communications. I am glad to see from the administration report of 1900-1901, which is the latest that has come before me, that your Board has worked up to nearly 95 per cent. of this minimum. I regret that I cannot hold out to you any hope of a repetition next year of the special allotment of Rs. 20,000 for which you express your gratitude. This allotment was your share of a special grant made by the Government of India from Imperial revenue for the purpose of improving roads and communica-

tions, and it was a special condition of the grant that the works on which the money was to be spent, should not involve any further special allotment.

I am pleased to find that the Maravar schools to which you next allude have made such encouraging progress. I understand from the Director of Public Instruction that you are mistaken in supposing that it has been proposed to open a Maravar school in every taluk. The recognition of the Maravars as a backward class might be allowed under the Grant-in-Aid Code, but I am told ~~that that would impose an additional burden on your educational grant, as grants-in-aid would be claimed at higher rates than at present, and the grant is already in excess of the average for the Presidency.~~ Your request for a special annual grant from Provincial funds does not, I am informed, commend itself to the Director of Public Instruction, but I am not at present in a position to give you a definite answer on that point, and I can only assure you that when the matter comes before me, I shall bear in mind what you have said.

It is satisfactory to me to learn that you are considering the advisability of extending railway communication in the district by means similar to those adopted by neighbouring District Boards, and I trust that your enterprise in this respect will be successful and productive of much benefit to the people of this district.

Let me thank you once more for your welcome and for the good wishes in which you are good enough to include my family, and let me say on my side that I shall always consider it a particular pleasure to hear of your welfare and of the prosperity of this district, from which I shall carry away many pleasant recollections.

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EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT.

C. No. 12

SUBJECT.

Inclusion of Kallars & Maravars among the backward classes.

The district board of Tinnevely have established four free schools for Maravars and are ^{willing} ~~not~~ to establish five more if they can get a special annual grant for the purpose from Provincial funds. The Director is not however prepared to recommend the payment of any such special grant. He has ~~recommended~~ recommended & the recommendation has been approved by Govt. that Maravars (and Kallars) may be included among backward classes so that schools for pupils of these classes may draw grants at the higher rates allowed in rule 91 of the grant in aid code.

2. The action of Govt. will not entail any extra expenditure on the district board as apprehended by the board & the Collector. The board will not have to pay any grants to their own schools and as regards grants to private schools, under the system of assignments, the total amount of grants paid by the board will not vary, larger payments to Maravar schools resulting only in smaller payments to other schools. The grants actually paid ^{from} ~~will~~ only a fraction of the amount earned. From the current year Provincial funds will go to the relief of local boards & the difference between the amount earned by the schools and that paid by the boards will be contributed by Govt. through the boards to the managers of

* Rule 78 of the Grant-in-aid Code.

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of the schools.

3. When the Director says that it will be possible to maintain schools for Maravars at little or no expence he refers to private schools and he means at no expence to the managers of the schools. What he says is in effect that in future it is not necessary for the district board to open schools for the Maravars since the schools will not be failures financially & private persons will therefore be induced to open them.

4. It is the special grant for schools to be maintained by the district board that the Director objected to but local boards will hereafter get large subsidies from Provincial funds to enable them to pay all their grants in full. The G.O. therefore indirectly affects Govt. and not the board.

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For the A.S.P.

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I have gone through the whole file of telephonic messages received and despatched during June, July, August, September and October last, but am sorry I have not been able to come across any message on the subject of the addresses. The D.O.s from Mr. Wynne calling for notes were put up with the files and have not been returned to the office.

P.H.
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The despatches return
of the P.S.G. of his own
letters makes it impossible
for me to understand how
it is that H.E. was obliged
to alter his reply of the
addresses. I have the
most distinct recollection
of ~~communicating~~ ^{communicating} the P.S.G. that
what Mr. Stuart said in his
telegram of the 11th Sept. &
following this up with
a statement of what the
Govt. had done in case that
might affect the terms of H.E.'s
reply, & I am under the impression
that the P.S.G. on receiving that
statement asked me to send the
order &
rates when printed & Padman in
ordinary

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course to await H.E.'s arrival
there on return from the Pizar
works. The second Assistant's re-
collection of what occurred confirms
mine in every respect.

If I had had any
idea that H.E. had wished to
see the proposed order of 19th
Sept. in draft before it issued,
a different course would have
been followed. But drafts
relating to the list
of "backward classes"
are not as a rule placed before
H.E.

As is stated above
at A, the action of the Govt.
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To

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