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No XVII & the answers given to it at the
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The Hon'ble G. Srinivasa Rao---

XVII. (a) Is it true that the Mahajana High School in Erode is open to all castes and classes of people and is under proper management, doing good work?

(b) Is it a fact that Erode is a small town incapable of maintaining two High Schools?

(c) Is it true that Mr. Logan the Inspector of Schools was strongly opposed to the ~~Kandan~~ ~~Kizhior~~ High recognition of the London Mission High School in Erode?

(d) Is it also a fact that while so, the Mission High School has been recently recognised 'provisionally'?

(e) Will the Government be pleased to state the reasons, if any, for so recognising the London Mission High School at Erode?

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UO. No. 13 R From the Leg. Dept. No. , dated 16-1-1905.

SUBJECT. Legislative Question XVII.



The question may be forwarded to the D.P.I. for the preparation of a draft answer, as we have no information whatever in the matter. The Director may also be asked to let us have the draft answer before the evening of the 20th instant.

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A draft answer with a note is submitted herewith.

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The draft answer is submitted for approval.

The D.P.I. has not quoted the exact words used by

Mr. Logan, but with regard to VIII (c) it

is perhaps not desirable for Govt. to quote the

opinions of officers who are subordinate to

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As the Director is absent on tour, and an answer to this U.O. reference will not be in time the following note is submitted with reference to the question asked:----

XVII(a). The Mahajana High School, Erode, is evidently open to all castes and classes. The following figures give the distribution of pupils in the school in June last. Brahmans 238, Non-Brahmans 68, Native Christians 2, and Muhammadans 4.

It is managed by a Committee of Native Gentlemen, the Secretary being M.R.Ry. C.S. Seetaramayya, B.A., B.L.

In the last Inspection Report the following remarks appear:--

"The results of the University Examination and at inspection may be considered fair on the whole, but the efficiency of the school is impaired by unwieldy classes and injudicious admissions of pupils into the higher forms."

(b) The following figures give the strength of the High School forms in the Mahajana High School and the London Mission High School.

	Mahajana High School.	London Mission H.S.
VI Form...	55	15
V Form...	41	13
IV Form...	51	22

The numbers in each Form of the Mahajana High School exceed the usually recognised strength which is taken to be 40.

These figures would seem to show that there is room for two ^{high} schools in Erode.

(c) Mr. Logan in March 1903 merely expressed the view that the Mahajana High School was sufficient to meet the requirements of the locality as regards the Upper Secondary education,

education, but his successors Messrs. C.W. Moss and P.E. Messinier were strongly of opinion that there was room for two high schools. Mr. Messinier after personal enquiry was of opinion that the opening of the mission school would be advantageous to the cause of education.

(d and e). In consequence of the conflicting opinions of the Inspecting officers, the Director was not quite sure of the necessity for two high schools at Erode but as the fourth and fifth forms had already been recognized in 1901 and 1903 respectively and as the sixth form was at work, he recognized the last as a purely temporary measure.

G. Sathianathan

As. Deputy Dir. Pub. Inst.

Amended

DRAFT ANSWER.

(a) On the information before
the Mahajana H. S. in
Erode appears to be open to
all castes. The work of
the School is not considered
to be good by the Inspecting
Officers.

(b) The question as put does
not admit of a categorical
answer.

(c) Mr. Logan in 1903 expressed
the view that the Mahajana High
School was sufficient to meet
the requirements of the locality
as regards upper secondary edu-
cation. There is nothing to show that he
was strongly opposed to the recog-
nition of the Mission High School.
His opinion was more of opinion
that education would be ad-
vanced by two high schools.

(d) The 4th & 5th forms in
the Mission High School
were recognised in 1901 & 1903
respectively. The 6th form
was recently recognised
'provisionally'. The School
was recognised in 1899 with
the 6th as the highest form.

(e) as under.

XVII (a).- The answer to the
first part of the question is 'Yes',
but the work of the school is not
considered 'good' by the inspecting
officers.

(b) It does not appear to be
the fact that the town of Erode is
incapable of maintaining two high
schools.

(c) It is not quite true that
Mr. Logan was 'strongly opposed' to
the recognition of the Mission High
School. In March 1903 he merely
expressed the view that the Mahajana
High School was sufficient to meet
the requirements of the town as
regards the upper secondary educa-
tion.

(d) It is also not quite true
that the Mission High School as a
whole was 'recently' recognised;
only the sixth form was 'recently'
recognised provisionally, the fourth
and fifth forms having been already
recognised, the former in 1901 and
the latter in 1903. As a matter of
fact the Mission High School had
been once before this, i.e., in 1899,
recognised with the sixth as the

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highest form.

(e) The Mission High School was recognised on the recommendation of the officers who succeeded Mr. Logan who were of opinion that there was enough room for two high schools in Frode. One of them was further of the opinion that the existence of the Mission High School was advantageous to the cause of education. Pending further investigation in regard to the future of Upper Secondary Education in the town the Mission High School has been, as the Mahajana High School is, recognised by the Director of Public Instruction only as a temporary measure.

S. S. Subramaniam
 Ag. Deputy Director of
 Public Instruction.

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The Hon'ble Mr. Forbes :—

XVII. (a) On the information before Government the Mahajana High School in Erode appears to be open to all castes. The work of the school is not considered to be "good" by the Inspecting officers.

(b) The question is one which is open to discussion.

(c) Mr. Logan in 1903 expressed the view that the Mahajana High School was sufficient to meet the requirements of the locality as regards upper secondary education. There is nothing to show that he was strongly opposed to the recognition of the Mission High School. His successors were of opinion that education would be benefited by two High schools.

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