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N.Somasundara Iyer, Municipal Office
Chairman. Vellore, 6-10-46.

Dear Mr. Avinashilingam Chettiar,

I am herewith sending an order of Government which prohibits the standing for election of school-masters for local bodies and the assembly. Hitherto some of the L.T. assistants in the local high schools were members of the municipal councils and the district boards and they very much wish that they should be permitted to stand for election at least for local bodies though not to the Assembly.

I wish you to consider the matter and withdraw the said order if you deem it necessary.

Yours sincerely,

N. Somasundara Iyer

To
The Hon'ble Sri Avinashilingam,
Minister for Education,
Government of Madras.
M A D R A S.

APPENDIX
NOTIFICATIONS.

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Provided that if he is qualified to vote at such an election he may exercise his right to vote but shall, as far as possible, avoid giving any indigation of the manner in which he proposes to exercise, or has exercised, that right.

The manager of a school may be required by the Director of Public Instruction to dispense with the services of any member of the teaching staff or any other establishment employed in the school, who contravenes the provisions of this rule. Failure of the manager to comply with such requisition shall render his school liable to forfeiture of Government Grant.

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HERS (INDIA) LIMITED



E & P.H.(C-1)

D.O.No. 60553C-7/41 Edn. dated 6/1/1947

Sub: Elections - Staffs of schools - Participation
Dear Mr.Somasundara Iyer,

With reference to your letter No. Nil dated 6-10-46

6-10-46 to the H.M.(Edn.), I am desired to say that the orders in G.O.No.1280 Edn., dated 6-6-1939, were modified by those in G.O.No.664 Edn., dated 15-4-1940 (copy enclosed). According to these orders ~~the~~ members of the staffs of secondary schools, colleges and other institutions under private management other than elementary schools and higher elementary schools may, if permitted by the management, stand as candidates for election to a legislative body or a local authority and may take part in election campaigns. Teachers in Govt. service, in the service of local bodies and in all elementary schools ~~are not~~ ^{are not} allowed to stand as candidates for election or to take part in election campaigns. The Government consider that these orders should not be revised.

To
Sri N.Somasundara Iyer,
C.M.C.Vellore.
(with copy of G.O.664
Edn. dated 15-4-40).

21/12/46

Yours sincerely
W. J. (W.)

From

Janaka V. M. Chaidullah Sahib

Vice-president.

F.C.C. Vellore

To,

Sri. Daniel Thomas

Minister for local administration

Fort St. George - Madras

Sa :

It is found from a perusal of
pp1-29 (B) The Govt. orders that the G.O. no. 1280 Edn
dated 6-6-1939 prohibits school
teachers from participating in
local elections.

This ban is affecting some important
Congressmen in the town, specially
Indian Christians and so I request
you to take early steps to lift the ban
by cancelling the G.O. in question so that
they may contest the ensuing elections.

I hope you will move in the matter
as early as possible and do the needful.

Yours sincerely
V.M. Chaidullah

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ASST. SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT
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EDUCATION AND PUBLIC HEALTH DEPT.

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To

The Hon. Minister for Education,
Government of Madras,
Madras.

ASST. SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT
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EDUCATION AND PUBLIC HEALTH DEPT.

SECRETARY, EDN. AND P. H. DEPT.
10 DEC 1946
GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS

MINISTER FOR EDUCATION
DEC 1946
GOVT. OF MADRAS

Most Honoured Sir, I most humbly beg to bring the following few lines to your Honour's kind notice and favourable orders.

The Congress is fighting for the freedom of the country and its citizens and is doing its best for the uplift of one and all. We are very glad to know that your Honour has taken strenuous efforts to raise the status of Teachers in general and that of the Elementary School Teachers in particular. We are very grateful and much obliged for the same.

pp 9-11
(K)

But, in the G.O.No. M.S. 664, Edn., & P.H. dated 15.4.1940 Teachers of Colleges, High Middle Schools have been permitted to stand as candidates for the Local Body elections, whereas it is a pity that Elementary School Teachers, who are doing the most useful work in the field of Education have been denied this privilege of standing as candidates for the said election.

The Elementary School Teachers have every chance of getting themselves elected by the Congress Adhoc Committee everywhere in their districts and towns for the District Board and Municipal Councils and I am sure, that no one will stand independently against the Congress Elementary School Teacher in the Election.

As the President of the Tinnevely District Elementary School Teachers Union, and that of the Tinnevely Taluk aided Elementary School Teachers Union, I most humbly request your Honour to pass early orders to permit Elementary School Teachers to stand as Candidates in the coming Local Body elections like the teachers of the colleges, High

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and middle Schools and thus raise the status of the Elementary School Teachers.

I beg to remain,
Honoured Sir,
Your Most Obedient Servant,

J. C. Cull ah.
6/12

PRESIDENT

TINNEVELLY DISTRICT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL TEACHER'S UNION
&
TINNEVELLY TALUK AIDED ELEMENTARY SCHOOL TEACHER'S
UNION.

C.M.S. Mary Arden School
Palamcottah.
6.12.1946.

Letter/ry. no. 77515C-1/46-Edw. d. 17/11/47 ESHH (C-1) 10
To the Vice-President,
Tamil Congress Committee Vellore.
(With enclosure)

Sir,

Sub: Elections - Staffs of schools -
Participation.

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5.10.46 to H.M (L.A.) I am to state that
the orders in G.O. 1280 Edw., d/6.6.1939, were
modified by those in G.O. 664 Edw., d/15.4.40
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private management other than ely schools
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Copy of G.O. 664 Edw.
d/15.4.40
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H. M. (L.A.)
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 Campaigns. Teachers in Govt. service in the service of local bodies and in all ely. schools whether under public management or private management are not allowed to stand as candidates for election or to take part in election campaigns. The Govt. considers that these orders should not be revised.

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 JSM
 16.1.67
 Y.O.S.

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Secretary, E. & P.H.

Please see the representations that have been received from some of the teachers with regard to the desirability of allowing the teachers to contest in the elections to the legislature and in the local bodies. The connected papers may be put up.



H.M. Edn.

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 10.10.46

EXP.HCC-1)

Please see the D.O. from the C.M.C., Vellore, at p 10 of and the minutes of H.M (Edn) above.

The position in regard to teachers in local ~~bodies~~ ^{body} and private schools, standing for election, is as follows:-

Local bodies. Rules 13 and 14 ^{of the rules relating to} of the personal conduct of officers and servants of local bodies prohibit ~~them~~ ^{their employees} from taking part in elections or politics.

Private Schools. In order to have a uniform code of conduct for all classes of teachers (those in Government service, in the service of local bodies and private institutions) the Government, in G.O.1280 Edn., d/6-6-39, directed that the staff in aided educational institutions should not stand as candidates, or interfere or use their influence in any way or do anything in aid or in obstruction of any candidate to a legislative body or local body or take part ⁱⁿ or subscribe in aid of any electioneering party ^{or organization}. On certain representations made to Government, it was ordered that the restrictions referred to above should not prevent the staff in aided schools from enrolling themselves as ordinary members of primary organizations of any political party and doing constructive work of any kind unconnected with elections. Subsequently, the Government decided that the restrictions referred to above should apply only to the staff of aided ~~elementary~~ ^{elementary} schools.

of pp 306-307 of
 Book No. 157A
 (Salary Rules under
 M.D.M. Act)
 There are similar
 rules for D.O. (Schools)
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G.O. No. 2396 Edn.

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elementary schools including ~~higher~~ elementary schools and that members of the staffs of secondary schools, colleges, and other institutions under private management, ^{which receive Govt. aid and may} if permitted by the management, ~~may~~ stand as candidates for election to a legislative body or local authority and ^{might} take part in election ^{campaign}. The D.P.I. was authorized to make a suitable reduction in the grant payable to an institution if the work in the school or college concerned ~~in~~ ^{was} consequently neglected.

It is not clear whether the C.M.C.'s request is that assistants in both local ~~body~~ ^{body} and private schools should be permitted to stand as candidates for elections.

If the request of the C.M.C., Vellore, that teachers under local bodies may be allowed to stand as candidate for election at least to local bodies is accepted, teachers who are subordinates of the local bodies will gain a controlling voice in the affairs of these institutions. ^{and} if the concession is allowed to teachers, other local board servants may also claim the same right. It seems undesirable to allow local board servants to take part in elections and politics. / A

As stated above, assistants in private secondary schools ^{and colleges and institutions other than city schools} can stand for elections subject to certain conditions.

For orders.

(Revised)
15/10/46
24/10/46
JRM
20/10/46 S/HH (Edn.)
'A' - I agree. It is because of exercise power & influence in various degrees & are likely to abuse it. If allowed to take part in elections, their position was cluttered with that of local servants & the prohibition was imposed. I do not think it is desirable to alter their position.
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HJ (Edn.)

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I entirely agree that teachers employed in Government and Local Board schools should not be allowed to take part or stand for elections. The elementary school teachers belonging to whatever management also should not stand for elections.



A draft S.O. to the C.M.C. Vellore, is submitted. After issue, the papers may be recorded.

JRM
21/12/46 S/HH (Edn.)
Go 49 Edn. 11.1.47

To The Hon. Minister for Education - Madras.
Thru' The District Educational Officer - Tinnevely West.
Thru' The Senior Deputy Inspector of Schools - Tinnevely Range

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C.M.S. Mary Arden School
Palamcottah.
6.12.1946.

No. S.C. No. 6/46 dated 8.12.1946.

Submitted to The District Educational Officer, Tinnevely,
West and Ayengur.

J. C. Cullah
11.12.46 Deputy District Officer
Tinnevely Range

Returned.

2) The Dy. Inspector is requested to state if the union is a recognised one.

3) He is further requested to offer his remarks.

15.12.46
Resubmitted to the District Educational Officer,
Tinnevely West.

The Tinnevely Taluk Aided Teachers' Union has been
recognised. The District Union referred to is not a recognised one.

The request of the teacher is recommended for consideration. In as much
as the Government have since given the concession to teachers in aided secondary
schools, such permission may be given in the case of teachers in elementary schools
as recommended by inspecting officers.

N. Vasudevan

J. C. Cullah
Deputy District Officer
Tinnevely Range



OFFICE OF THE
DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION,
MADRAS.

Endorsement R.C.No. 205-B.2/47 dated the 11th February 1947.

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SUB:- Elementary Education - Staffs in Elementary
Schools - Participation in:
REF:- Petition dated 6th December 1946 from the President,
Tinnevely District Elementary School Teachers Union
and the Taluk Aided Elementary School Teachers Union.

SUBMITTED.

2. The academic qualifications of the majority of teachers in Elementary Schools will not be upto the standard required for any sort of constructive work. Again many of the elementary schools are staffed with either one or two teachers only and if teachers of such schools are allowed to take part in election campaigns, the regular work of the school will suffer. Further party bickerings will creep into the atmosphere of elementary schools. I do not therefore recommend the request made by the President.

R. Narasimham

FOR DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION.

To
The Secretary to Government,
Education and Public Health Department, Madras.

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Memo. No. 22503 CI/47-1 En. 24/3/47

Sub-Elementary Edw - Staffs in Elementary
Schools - Participation in Elections.

From the D.P.S. R.C. 206 - B 1/47 11-2-47.

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The D.P.S. is informed that
Director's recommendation in the letter
cited above was accepted and
the papers were lodged.

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To
The D.P.S.
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Note:- Aft view, may be added to

to previous papers at (d)

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