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G.O. No. Ms. 1630 Edn.

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Urgent

D.O.

Director of Public Instruction,
M a d r a s, 21st June 1948.

Dear Mr.Subramanian,

Sub: College - Queen Mary's, Madras - Admission of Muslim students -

(A) In G.O.Ms.No.1348, Education, dated the 27th May 1948, Government have directed that the orders (B) contained in G.O.No.152, Education, dated 30-1-1942 should be followed in future in regard to the admission of Muslim students in the Queen Mary's College. This would mean, in effect, that every eligible Muslim applicant will have to be admitted into the College. As I understand from the Hon'ble Minister for Education that this was not the intention of Government I request you to clarify the position urgently.

Yours sincerely,

To
M.V.Subramanian, Esq.,I.C.S.,
Secretary to Government,
Education & P.H.Department,
Fort St.George, Madras.

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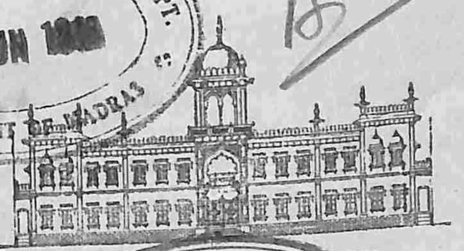

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Dear Mr. Avanashilingam Chettiar,

I returned from Rangoon only recently. I am very grateful to you for your having acceded to my request to restore the old Government order directing the Principal of the Queen Mary's College to admit all eligible Muslim applicants. This will certainly give some scope for the admission of all the Muslim women applicants who might apply, though their number might be still very small and probably may not reach even the proportion of 1 out of 14.

It is however very kind of you to have done this service. My community looks up to you only for being its champion in the cause of education. I dare say you will take much greater interest in the promotion of education among this backward community to enable it to take its rightful place in the affairs of this province.

Thanking you and with best regards,

Yours sincerely,
Basheer Ahmed Sayeed
Hony. Secretary.

The Hon'ble Mr. T.S.Avanashilingam
Chettiar,
Minister for Education, Fort St.
George, Madras.

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Subject:- College - Queen Mary's - Admission of Muslim students - Orders passed.

Read again:- G.O.No. 1348, Education, dated 27-5-48.

Order Ms. No. 1630 Edn. dated 24-6-48.

In modification of all previous orders on the subject the Government direct that eligible Muslim students applying for admission into the Queen Mary's College shall be admitted into the College subject to the condition that the number of such students shall not exceed 5 % of the strength of each class.

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To

The D.P.I., Madras,
with refce. to his D.O.
No. nil dated 25-6-48.

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Immediate.

I gave directions that in view of the abolition of the Muslim Women's College, the ban on admission of Muslim girls may be removed. But the result, I understand, has been curious. There seems to have been a previous order issued prior to the starting of the Muslim Women's College that all eligible Muslim girls may be admitted in the Queen Mary's College whatever their marks and now, I understand, that that order is coming into effect on the withdrawal of this ban.

G.O. No: 1348 Edn. / 27.5.48 (A)

G.O. No: 152 Edn. / 30.1.42 (B)

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I understand that in about 212 seats provided in the Queen Mary's College, 16 girls have applied till now for admission. This will mean that regardless of any consideration for marks, 16 today or increased number in the future will get admission in the Queen Mary's College. This will not be fair to the other communities. Nowadays under the G.O. regulating admissions in all Arts Colleges, no percentage is fixed for any community except the general reservation of 10% for Harijans. I think that order must be brought into force in the case of the Queen Mary's College also. The matter may be examined and put up immediately so that orders may be issued for admission which will have to be done in a few days.

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Please see H.M's minute on the previous page and the Director's D.O. in the c.f. According to the orders in G.O. No: 152 Edn d/ 30.1.42 which now holds the field all eligible Muslim girls must be admitted to the college. Even under the general orders relating to admission to Govt Arts Colleges special consideration should be shown to Muslim women. This is because very few Muslim women go in for higher education. Further, 16 seats for Muslims out of 212 seats cannot be considered excessive. In the services Muslims get 1 out of 14 seats and on this basis Muslim women are entitled to 15 seats. Considering their backwardness in education, particularly in higher education, it seems that the matter may be left alone for the present and the question reviewed ~~another~~ next year. It may also be mentioned that Muslim women don't generally seek admission into Men's colleges like women belonging to other communities. For orders.

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I think under the agreement with Mr. Ethiraj, we have also reserved five or seven per cent of the seats in the Ethiraj College for Muslim girls. It is wrong, I think, to order that all eligible girls in a particular community should be given admission especially in view of the reservation that we have given them in another college. I think the same G.O. which applies to other colleges may also apply for this college and special consideration ~~should~~ may be shown to all backward communities including girls belonging to the Muslim community.

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The agreement with Mr. Ethiraj does not

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provide for A above. The question whether any reservation should be made for Muslims was specifically raised and H.M. seems to have agreed to drop this point - please see Secy's note and H.M's ~~orders~~ minute on pp 23-24 n.f. of G.O. No: 393 Edn d/ 28.2.48.

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For this year the order may stand; this may be put up after admissions & in the meantime the principal may be asked to send a report of the no. of applications received from Muslims & admission made.

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A draft D.O. is submitted for approval.

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[H.M. wanted the file again so I gave it to him]

The orders may be all eligible candidates subject to a maximum of 5%.

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A revised draft is subd.

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