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Memo	76880	C1/46-1 Edn.	24.1.1947.				
Memo	35025	C1/46-3 Edn.	16.10.1946				

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Subject.

PREPARATORY SECTION ATTACHED TO THE STANES EUROPEAN HIGH SCHOOL, COIMBATORE.

ASST. SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT
8 MAR 1947
EDUCATION AND PUBLIC HEALTH DEPT.

ENCLOSURES.
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R.C.No.4817E/46 A

Station MADRAS. , *Dated the* 14th March 1947 .

From (Name) Dr. S.R.U. Savoor, M.A., D.Sc., I.E.S.,
(Designation) Director of Public Instruction.

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

Sir,

Ref: Education & Public Health Department Memo No. 76880 C1/46-1 dated 24.1.47.

I have the honour to submit herewith for the information of Government a copy of letter dated 6.3.47 of the Correspondent, Stanes European High School, Coimbatore, addressed to the District Educational Officer, Coimbatore and the Nilgiris and copy sent to me.

For Director of Public Instruction.

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COPY OF: Letter dated 6th March 1947 from the Correspondent Stanes European High School, Coimbatore addressed to The District Educational Officer, Coimbatore and the Nilgiris, Coimbatore.

With reference to the Government Memorandum No.76880 C1/46, dated 24.1.47, I have to report to you that the parents of the children in our Preparatory School were not at all in favour of the change over to Tamil-teaching ~~xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx~~ for which reason my Committee decided finally to close down the Preparatory School.

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One of the teachers of that section is now running a preparatory school with English as the medium of instruction in the building rented from us; but this school has no part in or connection with Stanes E.H. School. It is known as the Park preparatory English School, and is run by Mrs. D. Todd.

(TRUE COPY).

Sd/

Correspondent.

For Director of Public Instruction.

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~~Submitted for perusal. It is presumed that the usual report to show that the Annual Inspection Return of the Stanes European High School.~~

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Memo 21822 C1/47-1 E+P.H. dept Edn. Dt. 31.3.47

Stanes High School - Preparatory section - Letter from the D.P.I. No. 4817 E/46 dt. 14-3-47.

The D.P.I. is requested to report what action he proposes to take in regard to the Park Preparatory English School run by Mrs D. Todd.

To the D.P.I.

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ASST. SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT EDUCATION AND PUBLIC HEALTH DEPT. 14 MAY 1947

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ENCLOSURES.
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R.C. No. 4817=E/46

Station MADRAS, *Dated the* 10th May 1947.

From (Name) DR. C.R.U. SAVOOR, M.A., D.Sc., I.E.S.,

(Designation) DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION, MADRAS.

To The Secretary to the Government of Madras,

EDUCATION AND PUBLIC HEALTH Department.

Sir,

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REF:= Education and Public Health Department Memorandum No.21822=C.1/47-1 Education dated the 31st March 1947.

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In submitting herewith copies of letters dated 14th April 1947 from the Correspondent, Stanes European High School, Coimbatore, I have the honour to state that I do not see how Mrs. Todd can be ordered to close her school or how pressure can be brought to bear on the management of Stanes School to compel her to do so by evicting her. She is paying rent to the management of the Stanes School which is duly credited to the school funds. I consider, therefore, that the school may be allowed to continue.

for Director of Public Instruction.

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Copy of letter dated 14th April 1947 from the Correspondent, Stanes European High School, Coimbatore to the Inspectress of European and Anglo Indian Schools, Madras.

REF:- Your R.C.C.No.2466/47 dated 3rd April 1947

The building now used by the Park Preparatory School was the Old Collector's Bungalow, which was on the estate when it was bought for the school. It was not built out of the grant made by Government for the building of the school. For this reason Miss Cavanagh, when she inspected the school, told me that I might run the preparatory school in that building, but must not use any of the other buildings, on which the Government have a claim by virtue of the grant.

Personally I feel that the rent should go into the management fund of the school and not into the general fund.

The copy of the letter asked for is enclosed herewith.

Copy of letter dated 3rd March 1947 from the Headmaster to the District Educational Officer, Coimbatore.

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With reference to your C.O.No.76880=C.1/46 dated the 24th January 1947, I have to report to you that the parents of the children in our preparatory section were not at all in favour of the change over to Tamil teaching, for which reason my Committee decided finally to close down the Preparatory School. One of the teachers of that section is now running a preparatory School with English as the medium of instruction in the building rented from us. But this school has no part or connection with the Stanes European High School. It is not known as the Park Preparatory English School and is run by Mrs. D.Todd.

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Copy of letter dated 14th April 1947 from the Correspondent, Stanes European High School, Coimbatore:

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I wish to make to you a statement regarding the financial position of the school, so that you may understand our exact position.

Our difficulty has been due to the fact not only that we have an utterly inadequate endowment, but also that we have no other source of income than what is shown in the financial statement. Hence since, by the system in vogue, the grant allowed is a fraction about a half = of the cost to management, the problem arises as to how to meet the other half. If every item of income is to be shown on the financial statement, we can never get on our feet; for there is no source from which we can meet that half of cost to management that is not covered by the grant. I do not know how other schools manage; but that is the plain, honest position in which we are placed. We are not out to do anyone down, least of all the Government; but unless the Government can help us by allowing some items of income to be credited to the management account, the prospects for the school are rather dismal.

/True Copy/

for Director of Public Instruction.

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EDN. & P.H.(C.*1.)DEPTT.

D.O.No. 21822 C1/47-3 Dated 27.6.47.

Dear Mr. Reddi,

Sub: Schools - European - Stanes European High School, Coimbatore - Park Preparatory English school, Coimbatore.

Ref: Dr. Savoor's letter No. RC. 4817/E/46 dated 10-5-47.

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I am desired to say that under Rule 125 of the Code of Regulations for Anglo-Indian and European schools, the Government can refuse or withdraw any grant given for a recognised school, as the grants given are discretionary grants. In my D.O. to Dr. Savoor No. 35025 C.1.46-1 dated 6-7-46, he was informed that it is not proper for managements of Anglo-Indian and European schools to run unrecognised schools side by side with recognised schools and he was requested to warn the managements of such schools not to run unrecognised schools in their premises. The authorities of the Stanes European High School, Coimbatore, seem to get over the orders of Government by making Mrs. Todd to run the preparatory school separately from the High School in the same premises though in her individual capacity, [P.T.O.]

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I am to request you to say whether the grant payable to the Stanes European High School may not be withheld in case the authorities of the school persist in ~~running a recognised~~ school in their premises ~~circumventing~~ the orders of Government. referred to above.

Yours sincerely,

To

Sri D.S.Reddi, M.A.(Oxon)M.R.E.

D.P.I.

MADRAS.

To Rao Bahadur
Dr. S.R.U. Savoor,
M.A., D.Sc.(Lond), I.E.S.,
D.P.I., Madras.

D.O. No. 21822 C1/47-4 Edn. dt. 9.9.47

Dear Dr. Savoor,

Sub:- Schools - European - Stanes' European High School, Coimbatore - Park Preparatory English School, Coimbatore.

Ref:- My d.o. to Mr. Reddi No. 21822 C1/47-3 Edn. 27.6.47

I am desired to invite your attention to my d.o. letter cited above and to ask ~~how your reply~~ ~~to it may be expected~~ for an early reply in the matter.

Yours sincerely,

6 In favour of Objection with Notice.

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D.O.No.4817 E/46. Director of Public Instruction,
Madras, 18th November 1947.

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Thiru S. Sivaramanian,

SUB:- Schools - European - Stanes European High School, Coimbatore - Park Preparatory English School, Coimbatore.

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SECRETARY, EDN. AND H.R. DEPT. * GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS
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Please see your D.O. letter No.21822 C1/47-3,Edn., dated the 27th June 1947 addressed to Mr. D.S. Reddi and reminder thereon dated the 9th September 1947 on the subject mentioned above.

I have already reported to you in my letter R.C.No.4817-E/46 dated 10-5-1947 that the Park Preparatory School is under a different management though it is located in a building owned by the management of the Stanes European High School, for which rent is paid. It is no doubt open to Government to refuse or withdraw any grant given for a recognised school but such a step would hardly be just since it has been reported by the Inspectress of European Schools that parents are well aware of the fact that this Schoolx is an unrecognised and private School. There has thus been no attempt on the part of the management to deceive the public or parents.

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Yours sincerely,
S Ramaswamy

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To

M.V. Subramanian, Esq.,I.C.S.
Secretary to Government,
Edn & Pub Health Department, Fort St.George.

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D. O. No. 21822 C1/47-5 Edn. dated 6.12.47

Dear Dr. Savoor,

Park Preparatory English School, Coimbatore -
Your D. O. No.4817 E/46 dated 18-11-47.

I am desired to say that in allowing the Park Preparatory English School to be run in the premises of the Stanes European High School, Coimbatore, the management is circumventing the orders of the Govt. and the policy underlying them. I am to request you to say whether the school has been discontinued and if not, to warn the management of the Stanes European High School that grants to the school will be withheld.

Yours sincerely,

To

The D P. I. (by name)

J. H. CLAY, B. A., L. T.,
HEADMASTER
AND CORRESPONDENT.

STANES EUROPEAN HIGH SCHOOL,
POST BAG No. 55.
COIMBATORE, S. INDIA.

January 20th 1948.

ASST. SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT
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SECRETARY, EDN. AND P. H. DEPT.
21 JAN 1948
GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS

Sri. M. V. Subramaniam Avl.,
Secretary for Education,
Government of Madras,
Fort St. George, MADRAS, 1.

Dear Sir,

This morning I was talking to a parent, who wanted his son admitted to my school, and while telling him that at present I could not help him at all for want of a vacancy, I informed him of the offer I had made to the Minister for Education. This gentlemen then told me that I should send you a copy of the letter that I had sent to the Minister, with an explanation of the circumstances.

The fact is, Sir, that Coimbatore has a very considerable non-Tamilian population, for whom there are no adequate educational facilities, since all the Indian schools use the Tamil medium of instruction, and the number of Indians that I can admit to my school is limited both by the percentage rule and by the smallness of the European and Anglo-Indian communities in this town. There are four large High Schools serving the Tamil-speaking communities, and now there is to be a fifth, the Devanga High School. Why should there not be one High School catering for the needs of that large section of the local population whose mother-tongue is other than Tamil? We are prepared to supply that pressing need, if the Government will grant us recognition and financial assistance.

I trust that our offer will be accepted in the spirit in which we make it, of service to these Indian parents. I am, Sir,

Yours faithfully,

Headmaster,
Stanes High School.

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January 15th, 1948.

The Hon. Minister for Education,
Government of Madras,
Fort St. George, MADRAS, 1.

Ref. your note of 21st July, 1947.

Sir,

You are aware that in 1938 we started a preparatory school to meet the pressing demand from Indian parents for the admission of their children to our school, which demand we could not otherwise have met, because it was in excess of the number of Indians that we are allowed to admit by the regulations of the Code for European schools. At the end of 1946 this school was ordered to be closed as it was using the English medium of instruction. Accordingly we officially obeyed the order; but Mrs. Todd, the senior teacher of the Preparatory School, took over the school to run it as a private institution. The fact that the school has continued to be not only popular, butincreasingly so, is evidence of the large d from local Indian parents for a school giving instruction through the medium o the English language. And now, with the heavier influx of non-Tamilians into Coimbatore, this demand is even greater.

In view of this situation, Sir, I write to ask if you will give your consent to the recognition of this preparatory school under the S.S.L.C. code, allowing teaching in English to continue in all classes as required by the circumstances. If you will grant us permission to take over the Preparatory School under our control again, with a grant from the Government, we are prepared to expand it in an English-teaching High School for Indian boys under the S.S.L.C. Code, and to give effect to this from June this year.

I trust that you will give this matter your careful and favourable consideration: the demand for such a school in Coimbatore is unquestionably great; and we have the facilities and the readiness to meet the demand, if you will give us your support and favour.

Thank you.

I am, Sir,

Yours faithfully,

Headmaster,
Stanes High School.

Copies to

1. The Director of Public Instruction, Madras.
2. The Inspectress of E. & A. I. Schools, Madras.
3. The District Educational Officer, Coimbatore.

Submitted for perusal of pp 12–13 c
The Director's reply to the d.o. on p14 ante
be awaited till 10. 2. 48.

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Coimbatore, 29th January 1948

From A.H. Srinivasa Rao Mudaliar,
The Chairman
Representative Committee of Parents
Park Preparatory School, Lakshmi Vilas, Race Course,
COIMBATORE

To

The Minister of Education
Government of Madras
MADRAS

MINISTER FOR EDUCATION
5 FEB 1948
GOVT. OF MADRAS

Sir,

Sub:-Park Preparatory school--shifting

I forward herewith the Proceedings of the Meeting held by parents at the Park Preparatory school, Coimbatore, on the subject of the shifting of the Park Preparatory school, outside the premises of the Stane's European High school, for your kind perusal.

I shall feel deeply grateful for your favourable consideration in anticipation of which kindness, I voice herein the sincere thanks of all the Parents concerned.

Yours very truly

A. H. Srinivasa Rao
CHAIRMAN.

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Coimbatore, 28th January 1948.

PROCEEDINGS OF PARENTS' MEETING HELD AT
THE PARK PREPARATORY SCHOOL, ON 28TH JANUARY., 1948.

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Parents assembled at the Preparatory School at 3-30 P.M. on Wednessday the 28th instant. Those who attended the Meeting have signed these Proceedings.

(1) MR. SRINIVASA RAO was proposed to the chair by Mr. V. N. RAMACHANDRA NAIDU. MR. RANADE seconded the proposal and Mr. Srinivasa Rao occupied the chair.

(2) MR. B. A. DESAI read to the Meeting a letter received by the Head Mistress from the Head-Master, Stanes School, asking the Preparatory School to shift to other premises outside the premises of the Stane's school

MR. RAMACHANDRA NAIDU moved the following resolution:-

"THIS MEETING OF PARENTS RESOLVED TO APPEAL TO THE D.P.I TO ALLOW THE PARK PREPARATORY SCHOOL TO CONTINUE TO RUN IN THE PREMISES OF THE STANE'S EUROPEAN SCHOOL TILL THE END OF DECEMBER 1948.,IN VIEW OF THE ACUTE SHORTAGE OF ACCOMMODATION IN COIMBATORE IT WOULD NOT BE POSSIBLE TO FIND SUITABLE PREMISES ELSEWHERE. THERE ARE 137 STUDENTS ATTENDING THE PREPARATORY SCHOOL AND THEY WILL HAVE TO SUFFER IF THE SCHOOL WILL BE CLOSED FOR WANT OF ACCOMMODATION ELSEWHERE".

Mr. S. D. KHONA seconded it. IT WAS PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

This meeting also wishes to communicate to the Director of Public Instruction that the Building occupied by the Park Preparatory school is a separate building by itself away from the Stane's European school. A monthly rent of Rs.150/- being paid to the Stane's European School. Further, the present site of the Preparatory school is quite ideal and has all conveniences requisite for a school, such as, Playgrounds, etc., etc. This Meeting on behalf of parents requests the Director of Public Instruction to allow the school to run in the same premises.

This Meeting also resolved that the Director of Public Instruction should be informed that to-day a Representative Committee of NINE PARENTS as mentioned hereunder, has been appointed to go into the case in fuller details and make representations to Government regarding facilities for education through the medium of English.

P. T. O.

MEMBERS OF THE REPRESENTATIVE COMMITTEE.

1. Mr. Gokuldas Thulsidas
2. Mr. Srinivasa Rao.
3. Miss. D. Kallat
4. Mr. S. R. P. Ponnuswamy Chettiar.
5. Mr. V. N. Ramachandra Naidu
6. Mr. J. Y. Ranade
7. Mr. Mr. Colaco
8. Mr. B. A. Desai

and 9. Mr. Chhaganlal Khimji Piprani.

The following Parents attended the Meeting and signed the proceedings:--

1. Mr. H. L. Nanda.
2. Mrs. V. N. Ramachandran.
3. Mrs. K. Balasundaram.
4. Mr. J. Y. Ranade
5. Mr. B. R. Shroff
6. Mr. B. A. Desai
7. Mr. V. N. Ramachandran
8. Mr. Gokuldas Thulsidas
9. Mr. P. Samuel
10. Mrs. W. Ranade.
11. Mr. O. A. Mandradiar.
12. Mr. S. Aiyangar.
13. Mr. S. R. P. Ponnuswamy
14. Mr. S. D. Khona.
15. Mr. Narandas Gokuldas.
16. Mr. P. A. Srinivasa Rao
17. Mr. Chhaganlal Khimji Piprani
18. Mr. Kantilal S. Patel
19. Mr. H. N. Colaco

and 20. Mr. A. R. Rosario.

A. H. Srinivasarao
CHAIRMAN.

5-2-1948.

Dear Mr. Srinivasa Rao,

Your representation of the 29th January with regard to the Park Preparatory school. I don't think it is healthy to allow managements to get over rules by round about methods. Neither is it healthy for a country to allow medium of instruction in a foreign language at the early years of childhood. This is a principle that has been accepted by all educationists and must be enforced in the best interests of the country.

Yours sincerely,

To
Sri A.H. Srinivasa Rao Mudaliar,
Chairman, Representative Committee
of Parents, Park Preparatory School,
Lakshmi Vilas, Race Cource,
Coimbatore.

6 FEB 1948
GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS

ASST. SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT
7 FEB 1948
EDUCATION AND PUBLIC HEALTH DEPT.

Edn (C1)

D.O. No: 21822 C1/47-6 Edn dated 17-2-48

Dear Mr. Reddi,

Sub: Schools - European - Stanes European High School, Coimbatore - Park Preparatory High School

Ref: My D.O. No: 21822 C1/47-5 Edn dated 6-1-48 to Dr. Savoor.

I am to enquire when a reply to the D.O. may be expected.

17/2/48

To

Sri. D.S. Reddi
H.A (Govt)
H.B.E

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D.O.No.4817 E/46.

SECRETARY, EDN. AND P. H. DEPT. 27 FEB 1948 GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS

Office of the Director of Public Instruction,
Cathedral P.O., Madras, 26th February 1948.

Dear Mr.Subramanian,

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Please see your D.O. No.21822 C1/47-5, Edn., dated 6-1-48 and reminder thereon dated 17-2-48 regarding Park Preparatory English School, Coimbatore. The management of the Stanes European High School, Coimbatore were duly warned that the grants to the school will be withheld in case the Park Preparatory English school run in their premises is not discontinued.

2 In his letter dated 24-1-48 the Headmaster and Correspondent of the Stanes High School, Coimbatore, however, wrote to me saying that the management is willing to start an Indian High School in June next if the Department could accord necessary support and financial aid. I am examining the request in further detail.

3 At a meeting of the parents of the preparatory school held on 28-1-48 the members present resolved to appeal to me to allow the school to continue to run in the premises of the Stanes European High School, Coimbatore, till the end of December 1948 in view of the acute shortage of accommodation in Coimbatore - vide copy enclosed.

4 In these circumstances I request that Government may be advised to defer for the present the question of withholding the grants of the Stanes European High School, Coimbatore.

Yours sincerely,

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To

M.V.Subramanian, Esq., I.C.S.,
Secretary to Government,
Education & Public Health Department,
Fort St.George, Madras.

15 Same as P17 only 25

Coimbatore, 28th January 1948.

PROCEEDINGS OF PARENTS' MEETING HELD AT THE PARK PREPARATORY SCHOOL, ON 28TH JANUARY, 1948.

Parents assembled at the Preparatory School at 3-30 P.M. on Wednesday the 28th instant. Those who attended the meeting have signed these Proceedings.

(1) Mr.Srinivasa Rao was proposed to the chair by Mr.V.N. Ramachandra Naidu. Mr.Ranade seconded the proposal and Mr. Srinivasa Rao occupied the chair.

(2) Mr.B.A.Desai read to the meeting a letter received by the Headmistress from the Headmaster, Stanes School, asking the Preparatory school to shift to other premises outside the premises of the Stanes' School.

Mr.Ramachandra Naidu moved the following resolution:-

"This meeting of parents resolved to appeal to the D.P.I. to allow the Park Preparatory School to continue to run in the premises of the Stane's European School till the end of December 1948 in view of the acute (possible shortage of accommodation in Coimbatore it would not be/ possible to find suitable premises elsewhere. There are 137 students attending the Preparatory School and they will have to suffer if the school will be closed for want of accommodation elsewhere."

Mr.S.D.Khona seconded it. It was passed unanimously.

This meeting also wishes to communicate to the Director of Public Instruction that the building occupied by the Park Preparatory school is a separate building by itself away from the Stane's European school. A monthly rent of Rs.150/- being paid to the Stane's European School. Further, the present site of the Preparatory school is quite ideal and has all conveniences requisite for a school, such as playgrounds etc., etc. This meeting on behalf of parents requests the Director of Public Instruction to allow the school to run in the same premises.

This meeting also resolved that the Director of Public Instruction should be informed that to-day a Representative Committee of Nine Parents as mentioned hereunder, has been appointed to go into the case in fuller details and make representations to Government regarding facilities for education through the medium of English.

Members of the representative Committee.

1. Mr.Gokuldas Thulsidas.
2. Mr.Srinivasa Rao.
3. Miss D.Kallat.
4. Mr.S.R.P.Ponnuswamy Chettiar.
5. Mr.V.N.Ramachandra Naidu.
6. Mr.J.Y.Ranade.
7. Mr.Colaco.
8. Mr.B.A.Desai; and
9. Mr.Chhaganlal Khimji Piprani.

The following parents attended the meeting and signed the Proceedings:-

1. Mr.R.L.Wanda.
2. Mrs.V.N.Ramachandran.
3. Mrs.K.Balasundaram.
4. Mr.J.Y.Ranade.
5. Mr.B.R.Shroff.

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6. Mr.B.A.Desai.
7. Mr.V.N.Ramachandran.
8. Mr.Gokuldas Thulsidas.
9. Mr.P.Samuel.
10. Mrs.W.Ranade.
11. Mr.O.A.Mandradiar.
12. Mr.S.Aiyangar.
13. Mr.S.R.P.Ponnuswamy.
14. Mr.S.D.Khona.
15. Mr.Narandas Gokuldas.
16. Mr.P.A.Srinivasa Rao.
17. Mr.Chhaganlal Khimji Piprani.
18. Mr.Kantilal S.Patel.
19. Mr.H.N.Colaco; and
20. Mr A.R.Rosario.

Copy of letter dated 28-1-48 from Mr.A.H.Srinivasa Rao Mudaliar, the Chairman, Representative Committee of Parents, Park Preparatory School, Lakshmi Vilas, Race Course, Coimbatore to the Director of Public Instruction, Madras.

Sub: Park Preparatory school - shifting.

I forward herewith the "Proceedings of the Meeting held by parents" at the Park Preparatory School, Coimbatore on the subject of the shifting of the Park Preparatory school, outside the premises of the Stane's European High School, for your kind perusal.

I shall feel deeply grateful for your favourable consideration, in anticipation of which I voice the sincere thanks of all the parents concerned.

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Dear Mr. Reddi

Sub: Schools - European - Stanes European High School, Coimbatore - Preparatory section

Ref: your D.O. 4817/HC dated 26-2-48

I am desired to say that while the management of the Stanes European High School, Coimbatore should be encouraged to open the Indian High School section from June 48, it should be asked to discontinue forthwith, the preparatory section along with the school and in the event of their failure to do so, action may be taken for withholding the grant payable to the school. I am also to request that the action proposed to be taken in the matter may be reported to Govt.

Yours sincerely

To

Sri. D.S.Reddi M.A.(Cantab) MBE
D.P.I.

D0.4817E/46

Office of the
Director of Public Instruction,
Madras: Dated 6th April 1948.

Dear Mr. Subramaniam,

SUB:- Schools = European = Stanes European High School, Coimbatore = Preparatory Section:

REF:- Your D.O. No.21822/C.1/47-7 Education dated 22nd March 1948.

As desired by Government I directed the Correspondent of the Stanes European High School, Coimbatore to close the Preparatory Section immediately and forward a report to me. He was informed that in the event of his failure to do so, all grants to the Stanes European High School, Coimbatore will be stopped.

The Correspondent accordingly served a notice on the Headmistress of the Park Preparatory School to close the school or vacate the building atonce. In reply to the notice the Correspondent received a lawyer's notice on behalf of the Preparatory School to stay action.

In enclosing herewith copies of the letters, I request to be informed whether the Correspondent may be asked to place the papers in the hands of his Advocate and proceed further in the matter.

Yours sincerely,

To
M.V.Subramaniam, Esq., I.C.S.
Secretary to Government,
Education and Public Health Department,
Madras.

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Copy of letter from the Headmaster, Stanes European High School, Coimbatore to the Director of Public Instruction, Madras, dated 31st March 1948.

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REF:- Your RC.No.4817/E/46 dated 25th March 48.

I have served a notice on the Headmistress of the Park Preparatory School to close the school or vacate the building atonce and she has promised to do so. I shall report further on this in due course.

Copy of letter dated 2nd April 1948 from the Headmaster Stanes European High School, Coimbatore to the Director of Public Instruction, Madras.

I have to report to you that I have received this morning a lawyer's letter regarding the closing of the Park Preparatory English School. The letter reads as follows:

Dear Sir,

I am instructed by the representatives of the Parents' Association of the Park Preparatory School, Coimbatore and Mrs. Todd, Headmistress of the said school to give you the following notice.

Mrs. Todd has received your letter of the 31st ultimo in which you have called upon her to stop immediately the running of the school in the premises, and she has only communicated this information to the representatives of the said Parents' Association. All of them are agreed that it is impossible to stop the running of the school all of a sudden, and propose to take up the matter with the Government. Moreover the school is paying a rent of Rs.150 per mensem to the Stanes European High School for a separate premises in which this school is located. As the owner of the building your school has certain obligations towards the tenants, and you are not justified in calling upon them to quit the premises atonce.

Pending negotiations with the Government, this notice is to inform you that the Preparatory School will occupy the premises. As certainwell known principles of legal rights and obligations are involved in this matter, I am giving you notice that you are not entitled to interfere with my clients' right to the possession of the premises.

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I await your instructions as to the course of action I must pursue in respect of this letter.

/True Copy/

for Director of Public Instruction.

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PARK PREPARATORY ENGLISH SCHOOL - Coimbatore - Recognition of:

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ENCLOSURES.
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R.C. No. 4817/E.1/46

Station M A D R A S , *Dated the* 28th April 19 48

From (Name) SRI D.S. REDDI, M.A.(Oxon),

(Designation) DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION, M A D R A S.

To The Secretary to the Government of Madras,

EDUCATION AND PUBLIC HEALTH *Department.*

Sir,

REF:- D.O.No.21822/C.1/47-7 Education, dated 22nd March 1948.

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pp37-34 cf

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In submitting herewith the letter dated 3rd April 1948 of Mrs. D. Todd, Headmistress and Correspondent of the Park Preparatory English School, Coimbatore, addressed to the Hon'ble the Minister for Education and a copy of the present strength of the school according to the mother-tongue of the pupils, I have the honour to state that the strength of the school does not warrant the opening of a secondary school with English as the medium of ins truction. Again, if English is made the medium of instruction, it is likely that a number of boys reading in local schools with Tamil as medium of instruction would rush to this school which cannot be prevented, and that rather than make an exception in the case of this school by allowing them to have English as the medium of instruction and give the school a heavy grant-in-aid, it may be better to allow the school to run as

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unrecognised school outside the premises of the Stanes European High School, Coimbatore provided the admissions to the school are restricted to pupils who do not belong to this Presidency and who cannot therefore receive instruction in the Regional language.

for DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION.

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PARK PREPARATORY SCHOOL.

	No.of Pupils.			Pupils according to language.															
	Boys.	Girls.	Total	Gujarati.	Malayalam.	Sindhi.	Telugu	Urdu.	Punjabi.	Marathi	Marwari	Bengali	Kanarese	Hindi	Tamil.	Anglo Indian.	Total.	Attendance on 18th Mar.48
Lower Kindergarten	12	8	20	3	1	..	8	..	4	..	..	1	..	2	1	..	20	14
Upper Kindergarten	6	13	19	1	2	1	7	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	2	5	17	17
Standard I	23	6	29	1	5	..	9	..	2	..	1	..	..	2	9	..	29	27
Standard II	23	4	27	6	4	6	6	..	1	1	1	..	..	..	2	..	27	27
Standard III	14	2	16	2	1	1	1	..	1	1	..	1	1	3	4	..	16	16
Standard IV	13	1	14	3	1	3	1	1	1	..	..	1	..	2	2	..	14	12
Standard V	10	2	12	3	3	2	..	..	2	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	12	11
Standard VI	8	..	8	2	..	4	..	..	..	..	-	..	1	..	1	..	8	8
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for Director of Public Instruction.

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MRS. D. TODD.
HEAD MISTRESS
AND CORRESPONDENT.

PARK PREPARATORY ENGLISH SCHOOL,
AVANASHI ROAD,
COIMBATORE

The D.P.I.
(By order of Govt Edn)

3 - 4 - 1948.

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To,
Sri T. S. Avanashilingham Chettiar
Educational Minister
Government Of Madras.

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MINISTER FOR EDUCATION
2 APR 1948
GOVT. OF MADRAS

Through,
The Director Of Public Instruction,
Madras.

Sir,

I must thank you very much for the interview yuu very kindly accorded the parents of the children of the above School and me on Thursday, April 1st.

I beg to request that you will kindly grant recognition to the Park Preparatory English School and permit it to run with English as the medium of instruction for all those children whose parents are not permanent residents of Coimbatore, and who are non-Tamalians, and also the running of a Nursery School where Tamil will be the medium of instruction.

I further beg to ~~state~~ request that we may be be permitted to continue to occupy the present premises in the Stanes School Compound on a monthly rental of Rs.150/-.

I beg to state that these are all in accordance with your suggestions and I hope there will be no difficulty for recognition and that a suitable grant

P.T.O

MRS. D. TODD,
HEAD MISTRESS
AND CORRESPONDENT.

PARK PREPARATORY ENGLISH SCHOOL,
AVANASHI ROAD,
COIMBATORE

(2) 3-4-1948.

may be given to the above School on the same lines as that which is given to other Schools.

Enclosed herewith is a syllabus of the Subjects we teach.

I beg to remain,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

D. Todd.

MRS. D. TODD.
HEAD MISTRESS
AND CORRESPONDENT.

PARK PREPARATORY ENGLISH SCHOOL,
AVANASHI ROAD,
COIMBATORE

3-4-1948.

Subjects taught in the above School.

English Grammar and Composition.

English Text.

Tamil Grammar and Composition.

Hindi Grammar and Composition.

Arithmetic.

Algebra } From Standard 4
Geometry }

Space Work. Lower Classes.

History.

Geography.

Elementary Science.

Drawing.

E. & P. H. Deptt.

D.O. No.21822 C1/47-8Edn., dated 24-5-48

Dear Mr. Reddi,

SUB:- Preparatory School ~~English Medium of Instruction.~~ Coimbatore Park

REF:- Your ~~D.O.~~ letter No.4817/E.46, dated 28th April 1948.

I am ~~prepared~~ to say that the Govt. have no objection to the Preparatory School being run with English as the medium of instruction if only pupils whose regional language is not Tamil are admitted to the school. I am ~~and~~ to add that the Govt. ~~hope~~ trust that this will ease the situation.

Yours sincerely,

To

Sri D.S.Reddi, M.A.(Oxon),
D.P.I.

ENGLISH SCHOOL PARENTS' DAY

Govt attitude explained

COIMBATORE: The first Parents' Day and Prize distribution of the Park Preparatory English School was held on Thursday at the Stanes European High School Hall. Mr J. H. Clay, Headmaster of the Stanes European High School, presiding.

Mrs Todd, Headmistress, welcoming the gathering, and explained the activities of the school.

Mrs Clay distributed the prizes.

Mr Clay explained the measures he had taken to admit Indian boys into the Stanes European High School ever since he joined the school 10 years ago. The Preparatory school was started to meet the growing need of the children. Then came an order from the Government asking the management to close the school on the ground that the European schools should not run private institutions for Indian boys. The request of the management to recognise the school was not granted by the Government.

Mr Clay further stated that the Headmistress, Mrs Todd, had taken the full responsibility for running the Preparatory School as a private institution. He hoped that the parents would help the school authorities in getting a suitable building, if and when the necessity arose. English would be the medium of instruction in this school as it was an international language.

Edn. and P.H. Dept. (C.1)

Sub: Preparatory Section attached to the Stanes European High School, Coimbatore

Ref: Letter from the D.P.I. No. 4817 E/46 dated 14--3--1947.

Attention is invited to the papers in Memo No.35025 C.1./46-3 Edn. dated 16-10-1946 and Memo No. 76880 C1/46-1 dated 24--1--1947. In the memo mentioned last the D.P.I. was informed that the Preparatory section attached to the Stanes European High School, Coimbatore, might be allowed to continue until June next provided the management arranged to change over to Tamil as the medium of instruction with effect from the next school year and had it recognized by the Education department. The Director now reports that the preparatory section has been closed down as the parents of the children in it are not in favour of Tamil as the medium of instruction and that one of the teachers of that section is now running a preparatory school with English as the medium of instruction in a portion of the building rented from the management of the Stanes High School. The Correspondent has stated that this new school has nothing to do with the Stanes High School. It, however, seems that this is an attempt on the part of the management to circumvent the orders of Government referred to above. It does not also seem that the preparatory school will be recognised by the department.

The file may be circulated to H.M.(Edn.) for orders

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not seem possible to order Mrs. Todd to close that school or to bring pressure on the management of the Stanes European School to evict her. He considers that the school may be allowed to continue. For orders whether the suggestions of the D.P.I may be accepted.

The file may be circulated to HM (Edn).

26.5.47

JOINT SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT
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EDUCATION AND PUBLIC HEALTH DEPT.

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Secretary, E.& P.H.

Please see herewith a news cutting. The Govt. had refused permission to have a children's section in the Stanes European High School, Coimbatore and to have English as the medium of instruction. In fact, if I remember right, they agreed to have Tamil as the medium of instruction from the next year. But now they seem to have got over it but making Mrs. Todd, Headmistress, to run the school separately from the Stanes High School on her individual account in the same place. The recent Order of Govt. is that private schools should not run under recognised schools in their own places. This will be in direct contravention of that order.

The Supdt., of European Schools may be asked to bring that order to the notice of the people concerned and she may be asked also to make enquiries into the matter and report.

TSA
18.5.47

H.M. Education.

Mp 3-4 Cf [From the D.P.I. Rc no 4817-E/46. D. 10.5.47.]

Please see the letter from the D.P.I. The views of the D.P.I may be taken for orders whether action need be taken as ordered by Secy. (Edn) at 'A' above.

Secy.
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S The question of the "Non-Cheri" behind the area in (a) - referred to at 'B' above - was raised at the time; Please see the routine file at the end of (a); it was then considered that it should be treated with the Hindu boy above in the records

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A draft ~~memo~~ to the D.P.I. is submitted for approval.

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Issued as Memo. No. 21822 C1/47-3 Edn. dt 27.6.47
From the D.P.I. No. 4817 E/46 dt 18.11.47

Please see the d.o. letter at pp 9-10 cf. with ref. to the d.o. on pp 5-6 cf. The Director considers that, as there has been no attempt on the part of the management to deceive the public or parents, it would hardly be just to stop the grant to the institution on this score. For orders. ~~The Director's ... be accepted.~~

The Director's letter has not answered the point. Such unrecognised schools should not be run attached to recognised schools. That is the Govt. order. The D.P.I. may be asked to state whether the school has been discontinued. If not action must be taken

It is a question of deceiving the public: it is a question of carrying out the orders of the Govt. and they underlying those orders. D.P.I. may be asked to warn the management that grants will be withdrawn if unrecognised school is allowed to run in the premises.

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against the management.

A draft d.o. is submitted for appl.

{D.O. No. 21822 C1/47-5 Edn. dated 6-1-48}

From the D.P.S. D.O. No. 4817 E/46 dated 26-2-48

Submitted for orders.
Attention is invited to HH's letter on page 2 ante.

While the request of the parents need not be granted, the management may be encouraged to ~~appoint~~ open the Indian High School section from June next.

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18 MAR 1948
SECRETARY, EDN. AND P.H. DEPT.

In para 3 ante d.o. at p22 cf, the D.P.S. has reported that the parent ante children in the preparatory section have requested him to allow the continuance of the ~~school~~ section till Dec. next. HH has ordered that this request need not be granted, the management should be encouraged

to open the Indian High School section from June next. Apparently the intention is to ask the D.P.S. to entrust the management of the Stanes European High School to close down/dispense with the preparatory section forthwith and in the event of its failure, to take immediate action against it by withholding the grant. In this view, the draft below is for approval.

GM
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16/3/48

Hr. (Cr.)

Date
16/3/48

as corrected

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21-3-48

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{D.O. No. 21822 C./47-7 Edn. dated 22-3-48}
From the D.P.S. D.O. 4817-B/48 dated 6-4-48.

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Submitted for orders.

GM
16/4/48 S

A draft is appended.

Hy
16/4/48

Hr. (Cr.)

Date
16/4/48

GM
15/4/48

I have had a talk with the D.P.I. over this matter. I have told him that we may not have any objection to the Preparatory Section being run with English medium if it is run only for those whose regional language is not Tamil. I think that will ease the matter. That may be intimated to the D.P.I.

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TSA
21.4.48

A draft is appended.

GM
23/4/48 S

SECRETARY, EDN. AND P. H. DEPT.
27 APR 1948
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From the D.P.S. Rc. No. 4817-B1/48 d. 28-4-48.

Please see the orders of H.H.(Edn) at p5 ante and the letter from the D.P.S. at pp 33-34 ck. The D.P.S's proposal at p3 ck is in accordance with the orders of H.H. The draft d.o. below is for approval. The orders in this case will be in the nature of a departure from the decision contained in the d.o. at p2 ck.

GM
17/5/48 S

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16/5/48

Hr. (Cr.)

TSA
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24 MAY 1948
GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS

No further action appears to be necessary in this file. The papers may be put away. Records dealt for future reference.

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School, Coimbatore - Medium
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