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COPY OF LETTER dated 25th Oct. 1948 from Mr. S. Venkataraman, General Secretary of the All-India Khadi & Swadeshi Exhibition, 111, Mount Road, Madras to Hon'ble Minister for Education.

Ref: Our letter d/18-9-48, regarding A.I.K.S. & I. Exhibition.

I understand that the authorities of the Engineering College, Guindy, are organising an Engineering Exhibition in their premises. You may be aware that as usual we have made arrangements for conducting the All India Khadi Swadeshi & Industrial Exhibition at the spacious Congress Grounds at Teynampet. I may point out that our grounds are certainly better than the Engineering College grounds at Guindy. Further the visitors are likely to experience hardship regarding transport facilities.

Under these circumstances, I would suggest that the proposed Exhibition of the Engineering College may be located within our grounds as part of the show of our Exhibition and you will agree that it will be more convenient and beneficial to the ~~xxxx~~ visiting public. It is estimated that nearly 10 lakhs of people will be visiting our Exhibition. We will give all facilities such as space, electricity, sheds etc. at cost for the Engineering College. A special court may be reserved if so desired for them.

I therefore request that necessary instructions may be given to the D.P.I. and the Principal of the Engineering College, Guindy, in this matter.

COPY.

Dear Mr. Venkataraman,

Let me thank you for your letter of the 25th October. I am forwarding your letter to the Principal of the Engineering College and asking him to consider your suggestion. But, as I told you in person, I must make it clear that ~~if the Government are to partake in the exhibition, it must be free and it will not be possible to pay any rent for the stalls or the space that you may provide. I am forwarding a copy of this reply also to the Principal of the Engineering College for his information.~~

Yours sincerely,

Sd.T.S.A.

Memo. No. 29653-1/48A Edu. dated 26-11-48.
Subs: Exhibition - All India Kadi & Swadeshi.
Locating the Engg. exhibition also in the
Congress grounds as part of the All
India Exhibition.

The attention of the
Principal, Engg. College, Jind, is invited
to the note of the H.M. (Edu.) d. 27-10-48
sent to him on the above subject,
and he is requested to send his reply
thereto immediately.

To the Principal,
Engg. College, Jind.

25-11-48
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Exbn./49.

To

The General Secretary,
All-India Khadi & Swadeshi Exhibition,
111, Mount Road,
MADRAS.

Dear Sir:

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Ref: Your letters dated 25th October 1948 addressed to the Hon'ble Minister for Education and to me, regarding A.I.K.S. & I. Exhibition and the Guindy Engineering College Exhibition.

The Exhibition proposed to be conducted at the Engineering College, Guindy was contemplated as early as July 1948. An Exhibition of this kind has been held in this College three times before and it was considered by the visiting public and others as very instructive and educative. During the past 4 or 5 years, industrial advancement of the country, training of technical personnel and making the nation mechanical and machine minded have been in the forefront of the public. The Central Government and the Provincial Governments have been planning important projects and one of the difficulties that they are experiencing in pushing through these projects, is the want of technical personnel to man the various works. The training of technical personnel in large numbers to meet this anticipated demand has been very seriously engaging the attention of the Government, private industries and various other training institutions. The Provincial Government have opened new Engineering Colleges and Polytechnics on a regional basis. In addition, bifurcation courses have been introduced in the High Schools, and basic training centres have been opened in the Presidency. All these institutions are suffering a great deal in that they do not have sufficient equipment for their needs and the students are severely handicapped by lack of equipment. The Engineering exhibition contemplated in the first instance gives an opportunity to the public to see the methods adopted for training Engineers in this Presidency. To the students, who are studying in the Polytechnics and to those who are undergoing the bifurcation courses in the High Schools, and to those who are following the basic training course, this Exhibition gives far greater opportunities to see the equipment and machinery handled by the students of this College and which they have no opportunity to handle in their own institutions.

The Exhibition mainly consists of displaying to the public the various scientific equipment, machinery and other specialised apparatus that are in use from day to day for giving instruction to the students of this College and for carrying out special investigations and tests for various Government Departments and also for training post-graduate students who offer themselves for the M.Sc., Ph.D., and the D.Sc., Degrees of the Madras University. The equipment and other apparatus are very heavy and are permanently installed in the various Laboratories and other Departments. The Exhibition is purely a scientific, technical and educational Exhibition and the manner in which it has been conducted in the previous years admits of no other possibility but to have it in this College. I am very sorry that the date of the Exhibition

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The Exhibition has been revived at the request of the students who have been pressing for it for the last 3 years. Arrangements for this Exhibition can only be done during the Christmas holidays when the students are free to do the necessary work connected with the Exhibition. The courses at the Engineering College for the students are very strenuous and it is not possible for them to devote any time for any other work which is not part of their studies during the term time. The idea of our cancelling the Exhibition was put up and I have to state that it did not find acceptance by almost all, consisting of staff and students, for the reason that this idea of reviving the Exhibition has been pending for the last 3 years and has been taken up very seriously this year. With regard to our participating in the All India Khadi and Swadeshi Exhibition, it would only be possible for us to send 1/1000th part of what we can easily and conveniently display to the public in this College. The apparatus are all fixed, the time is inopportune for the staff and students to take part in your Exhibition and considering that only a very small part of what can be displayed in the College can be conveniently transported to the All India Khadi and Swadeshi Exhibition, it is very much regretted that this institution will not be able to participate in your Exhibition. It is requested that the points put forward may be considered in all their implications so that there might be no misunderstanding that the Engineering College is trying to conduct another Exhibition at a time when such an important Exhibition as the All India Khadi and Swadeshi Exhibition is being conducted in Madras. I therefore request that this institution and the members of staff may kindly be excused from partaking in the All India Khadi and Swadeshi Exhibition. I shall be glad to discuss with the General Secretary, any further points that he may wish, if he will kindly fix the time and date.

Yours faithfully,

S. Paul 27/11/48
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- (2) Copy to the Secretary to Government, Education and Public Health Department, Fort St. George, Madras with reference to his Memo.No.79653-1/48-A-Edn., dated 26-11-1948.
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To Secy R.H.

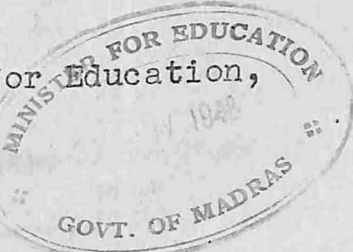
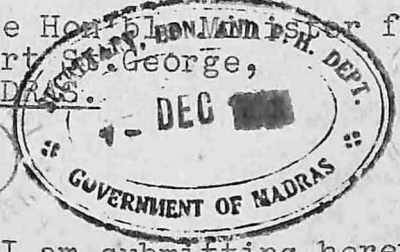
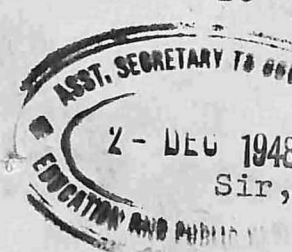
To be lodged.

Per
P. Ch. Srinivas
11/12/48

College of Engineering, Guindy,
Madras-15, Dated: 27-11-1948.

To

The Hon'ble Minister for Education,
Fort St. George,
Madras.



Sir,

I am submitting herewith a copy of my reply

to the General Secretary, All India Khadi and Swadeshi Exhibition for your kind information. It may please be noted that this institution will not be in a position to take part in the All India Khadi and Swadeshi Exhibition owing to the reasons stated in the reply.

S. Paul
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Please see A above the papers may be lodged.

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Edn and P.H. Dept

T. M. by Post

From

The Secy to Govt, Edn and P.H. Dept

To

✓ The Principal, Eng. College, Guindy

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Ref your letter to the Hon'ble Minister for Edn d 27.11.48

The Hon'ble Minister agrees that the Eng. College, Guindy, need not take part in the All India Khadi and Swadeshi Exhibition and that the college may have its own exhibition at Guindy.

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Copy to the J.P.S.

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To the Principal, College of Engineering, Guindy.

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Please see herewith a representation from the Secretary of the All India Khadi and Swadeshi Exhibition and my reply to them. I think more people will come to the Exhibition if organised in that place. You may consider and send your reply.

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H.M. Education.

Copy to the Secy., E. & P.H. (to be filed)

The Principal's reply may be awaited till 7.11.48

29.10.48

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The Principal may now be reminded.

25.11.48

26/11/48

Some das Memo. No. 79653-1/48 E. & P.H. 26.11.48
c. no. 88740 from the Principal, Engg. College, Guindy 27.11.48

Note: Please see A on p 9 of...
The Principal, Engg. College, Guindy inquired on the phone whether H. M. (Edn) agrees that the college need not participate in the All India Khadi and Swadeshi exhibition and ~~whether~~ ^{that} it may have its own exhibition at Guindy. The T.O. below is for approval.

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Some das T.O. by post dated 14.12.48 the papers may be recorded.

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also been referred to Committee. - The
the matter connected with the Committee

of 13 & 14

The proposal now is that
the age limit in the case of Hamilton
should be abolished although
in view of the fact that no age limit
is prescribed for Hamilton for entry
into Public Service. There seems to
be no objection to doing so. The
Commission may be given only to
Hamilton. Students and the rest
referred to at A. on 14th. May
be continued in certain respect of
other Committee mentioned there.
The file may be continued

to H. M. (11/11/11) H.C.

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