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SRI A. SUBRAMANIAM, M.L.A.

EDUCATION AND PUBLIC HEALTH DEPT.

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(b) what is the principle on which
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(c) whether the Government will *have considered*
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Draft Answer.

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1945-46 the Govt. sanctioned a
scheme of compulsory elementary
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names of villages wherein the --
scheme of compulsory elementary
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The reference to the Gazette is
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table of the House.

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(c) whether the Government have con-
sidered the desirability of selecting such
areas where most backward communities live?

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MADRAS LEGISLATURE (ASSEMBLY SECTION) QUESTION NO. 2 STANDED.

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for Secretary to Government.

To
The Secretariat of Madras Legislature (Assembly Section)
The Public (Elections) Department.

The above answer has been approved by Hon'ble Mr. T.S. Avinaslingam Chottiat.

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Dated 13th July 1948.
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Answered

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PAPER TO BE PLACED ON THE TABLE OF THE HOUSE.

Name of district board.	Notification regarding introduction of compulsion in 1945-46.		Date.	Number of villages selected.
	Number.	Page in the Gazette Part I-B.		
Anantapur	128	276	24th July 1945 ..	8
North Arcot	175	306	14th August 1945 ..	8
South Arcot	179	313	21st August 1945 ..	23
Bellary	171	306	14th August 1945 ..	6
Chingleput	259	391	13th November 1945 ..	14
Chittoor	167	305	14th August 1945 ..	31
Cuddapah	123	272	17th July 1945 ..	14
Coimbatore	152	284	31st July 1945 ..	23
East Godavari	136	276	24th July 1945 ..	15
West Godavari	126	275	Do. ..	13
Guntur	210	342	25th September 1945 ..	67
Kistna	150	284	31st July 1945 ..	16
South Kanara	217	348	2nd October 1945 ..	23
Kurnool	148	284	31st July 1945 ..	9
Madura	130	276	28th July 1945 ..	8
Malabar	154	284	31st July 1945 ..	28
Nellore	185	323	20th August 1945 ..	17
Tanjore	202	338	18th September 1945 ..	20
Salem	169	306	14th August 1945 ..	31
Ramnad	134	276	24th July 1945 ..	9
The Nilgiris	173	306	14th August 1945 ..	1
Tirunelveli	132	276	24th July 1945 ..	9
Tiruchirappalli	156	284	31st July 1945 ..	21
Vizagapatam	189	327	4th September 1945 ..	25
Total ..				439

Name of district board.	Notification regarding the introduction of compulsory education in 1946-47.		Date.	Number of villages selected.
	Number.	Page of Gazette Part I-B.		
Anantapur	224	381	27th August 1946 ..	28
North Arcot	188	352	6th August 1946 ..	29
South Arcot	301	470	12th November 1946 ..	40
Bellary	242	464	30th September 1947 ..	35
Chingleput	231	391	3rd September 1946 ..	19
Chittoor	201	362	13th August 1946 ..	64
Cuddapah	134	287	25th June 1946 ..	30
Coimbatore	16	49	4th February 1947 ..	26
East Godavari	294	460	5th November 1946 ..	15
West Godavari	190	352	6th August 1946 ..	16
Guntur	240	402	10th September 1946 ..	68
Kistna	199	360	13th August 1946 ..	17
South Kanara	108	254	21st May 1946 ..	27
Kurnool	256	418	24th September 1946 ..	47
Madura	186	252	6th August 1946 ..	18
Malabar	292	460	5th November 1946 ..	25
Nellore	250	410	17th September 1946 ..	30
Tanjore	192	252	6th August 1946 ..	30
Salem	146	324	9th July 1946 ..	64
Ramnad	321	512	26th November 1946 ..	9
The Nilgiris	319	512	Do. ..	4
Tirunelveli	150	325	16th July 1946 ..	18
Tiruchirappalli	299	469	12th November 1946 ..	28
Vizagapatam	332	537	3rd December 1946 ..	21
Total ..				708

SECRETARIAT OF THE MADRAS LEGISLATURE,

Fort St. George, dated the 3.6.1948



QUESTION No. 2

for the meeting of the Legislative Council

to be held on the

Two copies of this question are forwarded to the E.P.H. Department.

The question has been admitted.

To

The E.P.H. Department

Governor's Secretariat.

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U. O. Note No. 504/48-1

, dated the 8.6.48.

Subject :- M.L.A. Question No. 2 by Sri A.

Subrahmanyam, M.L.A. Names of areas in the Province where Compulsory Education Scheme is in force.

Education & Public Health.

Department it may be requested to circulate to His Excellency the file containing the draft answer to the above question, before the answer is despatched.

Forwarded/By order.

P. Govindan Nair 8/6/48

K. Subramani E.P.H. Department u.o.

E. & P.H. Dept. (B2)

Clause (a) of the question:- Attention is solicited to the answer given to a similar question asked by an M.L.C. The M.L.C. was referred to the notifications published in the Fort St. George Gazette

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Name of district.	Particulars of notification regarding introduction of Compulsory Education in 1947-48.	Date of Gazette.	Number of villages.
	Number.	Page of Gazette.	
Anantapur	34	134	24th April 1948 .. 45
North Arcot	225	414	9th September 1947 .. 34
South Arcot	235	449	16th September 1947 .. 39
Bellary	140	359	1st June 1948 .. 18
Chingleput	172	386	5th August 1947 .. 32
Chittoor	277	487	21st October 1947 .. 24
Cuddapah	29	102	17th February 1948 .. 34
Coimbatore	248	465	30th September 1947 .. 23
East Godavari	203	426	26th August 1947 .. 20
West Godavari	174	386	5th August 1947 .. 13
Guntur	209	436	26th August 1947 .. 48
Kistna	155	360	22nd July 1947 .. 17
South Kanara	147	358	15th July 1947 .. 31
Kurnool	102	274	27th April 1948 .. 36
Madura	279	488	21st October 1947 .. 21
Malabar	214	438	2nd September 1947 .. 25
Nellore	288	496	4th November 1947 .. 40
The Nilgiris	246	465	30th September 1947 .. 4
Ramnad	301	522	18th November 1947 .. 16
Salem	138	358	1st June 1948 .. 51
Tanjore	163	376	29th July 1947 .. 29
Tirunelveli	244	464	30th September 1947 .. 19
Tiruchirappalli	205	426	26th August 1947 .. 29
Vizagapatam	233	448	16th September 1947 .. 31
Total		669	

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containing the list of villages selected during the years 1945-46 and 1946-47. For orders whether in addition to the information similar particulars should be given in respect of 1947-48 also.

It does not appear that any useful purpose will be served by furnishing the information asked for. Perhaps the M.L.A. may be informed that the names of villages selected for compulsion are too many to be referred to in the answer to the question.

Clauses (b) & (c) of the question:- Selection of villages for the introduction of compulsory ele. education is made by the Special Officers of Dt. Bds. in consultation with the officers of the Education Department. It is always open to the Special Officers to select areas which contain large number of pupils belonging to the backward communities.

For orders as to the answer to be given to clause (a) of the question.

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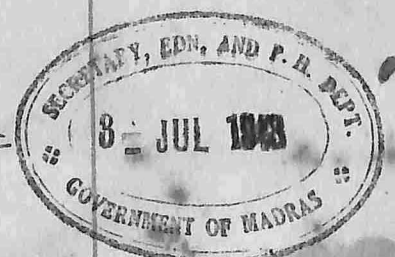
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P.S.G. H.E. has seen, thanks.

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A draft answer is submitted for approval

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300 copies of the statement referred to in the clause (a) of the answer already despatched are placed below. The

Answer despatched

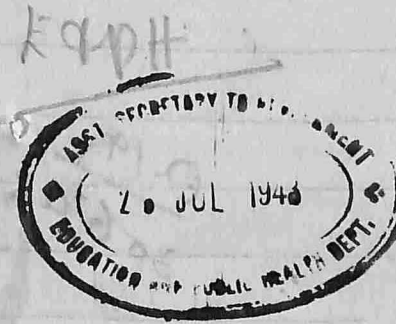
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Secy. of the Revenue Dept.

Secretariat of the Madras Legislative Council

300 Copies of the statement referred to in the answer to clause (a) of L. A. Q. No. 2 have been received. The file may now be returned to ETPH department v.o.

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This case may now be over.

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Areas where the compulsory education scheme is in force.

* 152 Q.—SRI A. SUBRAHMANYAM: Will the Hon. the Minister for Education be pleased to state—

(a) the names of areas in the Province where the compulsory education scheme is in force;

(b) what is the principle on which the areas are selected; and

(c) whether the Government have considered the desirability of selecting such areas where most backward communities live?

THE HON. SRI T. S. AVINASHILINGAM CHETTIYAR:—

“(a) The hon. Member is referred to the statement appended to the Report on Public Instruction for the year 1945-46 which gives particulars of municipalities and rural areas wherein the scheme of compulsory elementary education was introduced before 1st August 1945. In 1945-46 the Government sanctioned a scheme of compulsory elementary education in selected villages in each district and have extended the scheme in 1946-47 and 1947-48. The names of villages wherein the scheme of compulsory elementary education has been introduced after 1st August 1945 have been published in the *Fort St. George Gazette* from time to time. The reference to the gazette is given in the statement^a laid on the table of the House.

“(b) & (c) Selection of the villages for the introduction of compulsory elementary education is made by the Special Officer of District Boards in consultation with the officers of the Education department. It is always open to the Special Officers to select areas which contain large number of pupils belonging to the backward communities.”

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SRI A. SUBRAHMANYAM:—“தலைவர் அவர்களே, வட ஆர்காடு, தென் ஆர்காடு, செங்கல்பட்டு, இராமநாதபுரம் இந்த நான்கு ஜில்லாக்களிலும் அதிகமாக பிற்போக்கைச் சேர்ந்தவர்கள் இருக்கிறார்கள். இன்னும் அவர்களுக்கு அதிகமாக கட்டாயக்கல்வி ஏற்படுத்த வசதி செய்து கொடுக்கமுடியுமா என்பதை கேட்கவிரும்புகிறேன்.”

THE HON. SRI T. S. AVINASHILINGAM CHETTIYAR:—

“The Government have drawn up a programme by which compulsion is extended to particular number of villages in each district, and it is followed according to that programme.”

BEGUM SULTAN MIR AMIRUDDIN:—“Is it not a fact, Sir, that the extension of compulsory education has been suspended and, if so, for what period?”

THE HON. SRI T. S. AVINASHILINGAM CHETTIYAR:—

“It was not done this year, because of the various difficulties that have been brought to the notice of the Government by the Director of Public Instruction. We are trying to avoid those difficulties. And in the meantime a new programme is made whereby the pace could be hastened. That matter is under the consideration of the Government, and it will be decided before the next budget.”

MOHAMED ABDUL SALAM SAHIB BAHADUR:—“May I know, Sir, whether the scheme has been taken up first in the municipal areas before introducing compulsion in the villages and, if not, is it not proper that it should be first introduced in the municipal areas, before taking up the villages?”

THE HON. SRI T. S. AVINASHILINGAM CHETTIYAR:—

“In 27 municipalities compulsion is already in force. It is open to the other municipalities to extend compulsion under the existing Act. No special enactment is necessary from the Government. It is for the municipalities to make up their minds about it.”

SRI R. V. SWAMINATHAN:—“May I know, Sir, whether the Government would be able to extend the scheme at least in the areas where the backward communities are living?”

THE HON. SRI T. S. AVINASHILINGAM CHETTIYAR:—

“They are in every district.”

SRI V. RAGHAVAYYA:—" May I know whether any tribal areas in the Agency have been included in the compulsory areas and if not, whether they will select one or two areas? "

THE HON. SRI T. S. AVINASHILINGAM CHETTIYAR:—" If the hon. Member puts it through the district boards concerned the question will be considered."

SRI K. BOKKAI GOWDER:—" May I know whether the Government are aware of the fact that private managements of late have closed some schools even in compulsory areas and the district board having not taken over the management, there are no schools at all at present and the pupils are stranded? "

THE HON. SRI T. S. AVINASHILINGAM CHETTIYAR:—" The Government are not aware of it."

SRI K. P. KAMAKSHI CHETTIYAR:—" May I know whether the Government will consider the desirability of introducing the scheme in places where there are no schools at all? "

THE HON. SRI T. S. AVINASHILINGAM CHETTIYAR:—" Compulsory areas mean certain areas which are selected by Government where compulsory education is introduced. This problem of having schools in areas where there are no schools is a separate problem."

SRI K. BOKKAI GOWDER:—" Is the Hon. Minister aware that there is no school in the Jackanarai village, Coonoor taluk, after closing of the school by private management? "

MR. SPEAKER:—" The hon. Member is giving information."

SRI B. S. MURTHI:—" In view of the fact that the compulsory scheme is being introduced on the principle of backwardness of certain communities, may I know whether the Government will consider the desirability of establishing some schools in areas where people of the backward community live? "

THE HON. SRI T. S. AVINASHILINGAM CHETTIYAR:—" They are under the particular care of the Labour department."

N. MUHAMMAD ANWAR SAHIB BAHADUR:—" In regard to the choice of the schools, will the Government issue instructions to the authorities in the district boards that the legislators of the districts concerned should be consulted? "

THE HON. SRI T. S. AVINASHILINGAM CHETTIYAR:—" In every scheme under the Act they can consult the district boards and the legislators can put themselves in touch with them."

M. S. ABDUL MAJID SAHIB BAHADUR:—" Is it not a fact that the attendance committees were doing a lot to help education and if so whether the attendance committees will be consulted with regard to the areas where compulsion has been introduced? "

THE HON. SRI T. S. AVINASHILINGAM CHETTIYAR:—" The difficulty is that in many places attendance committees are not working properly."

M. V. HYDROSS SAHIB BAHADUR:—" May I know whether the Government have any organized scheme of compulsory education in the Province? "

THE HON. SRI T. S. AVINASHILINGAM CHETTIYAR:—" I am afraid the hon. Member has not read the post-war development schemes."

BEGUM SULTAN MIR AMIRUDDIN:—" Is it not a fact that the effect of the suspension of compulsory education until the next budget will be that little headway will be made during the course of this year in regard to the liquidation of illiteracy. In the circumstances, may I know how the Education Minister proposes to liquidate illiteracy in ten years as was stated by him on the floor of the House? "

THE HON. SRI T. S. AVINASHILINGAM CHETTIYAR:—" The Government will take stock of the situation. One thousand and three hundred schools have been included in the current year and Government are taking all steps that are possible to include more schools."

M. V. HYDROSS SAHIB BAHADUR:—" In view of the answer given that the entire Province will have the benefit of compulsory education introduced within a period of ten years, may I know what steps are being taken? "

THE HON. SRI T. S. AVINASHILINGAM CHETTIYAR:—" That is considered to be too long a period. We are considering whether it is not possible to shorten the period."

N. MUHAMMAD ANWAR SAHIB BAHADUR:—" Since the withdrawal of the provision for mid-day meals has been responsible for making the scheme unpopular, will the Government be pleased to revive the same, in order to make it popular? "

THE HON. SRI T. S. AVINASHILINGAM CHETTIYAR:—" Sir, it is not whether the scheme is popular or unpopular. It is a matter of attracting a few more children to the schools. In view of the high cost of the mid-day meal system, it will be difficult to reintroduce it."

MOHAMED ABDUL SALAM SAHIB BAHADUR:—" In view of the fact that there are no elected members or members of the Legislature on the District Board, and only officials are in charge of the District Boards, is it not desirable that elected representatives of the district should be consulted by both the Educational Department and also the District Board Officials? "

THE HON. SRI T. S. AVINASHILINGAM CHETTIYAR:—" Sir, we are in constant consultation with the elected representatives through these questions."

H. S. HUSSAIN SAHIB BAHADUR:—" Will the Hon. Minister be pleased to tell us whether the scheme of compulsory education is in force in all the firkas where the firka development scheme is in operation? "

THE HON. SRI T. S. AVINASHILINGAM CHETTIYAR:—" I do think so, Sir."

SRI B. S. MURTHI:—" I view of the fact that most of the boys cannot go to school with an empty stomach, may I ask the Government whether they will consider the desirability of reintroducing mid-day meals? "

MR. SPEAKER:—" That question was put by Mr. Anwar."

SRI D. V. RAMASWAMI:—" Is it not a fact, Sir, that the Government have recently sent instructions to the Collectors to have a three years' plan for economic development specially with reference to the educational uplift of the Agency and Backward areas, and as such a meeting has been convened at Vizagapatam? "

THE HON. SRI T. S. AVINASHILINGAM CHETTIYAR:—" I am grateful to the hon. Member for the information, Sir."

MR. L. C. PAIS:—" Having regard to the expressed policy of the Government to convert elementary schools into basic schools do they realize that the changeover may not yield successful results unless training camps are established in every district, and facilities given to teachers to get themselves equipped in those camps? "

THE HON. SRI T. S. AVINASHILINGAM CHETTIYAR:—" Yes, Sir, that is so."

SRI K. BOKKAI GOWDER:—" In view of the fact that the Nilgiris district is the most backward district educationally in the Province, may I know why only one or two villages have been chosen for the entire district? "

THE HON. SRI T. S. AVINASHILINGAM CHETTIYAR:—" Sir, the Nilgiris district is a district by courtesy; it has got only one taluk."

SRI K. BOKKAI GOWDER:—" Sir, I question that statement."

M. MUHAMMAD ISMAIL SAHIB BAHADUR:—" In view of the fact that the economic backwardness of the people has got a vital and decisive bearing on the backwardness of their education, will the Government reconsider their decision of not providing mid-day meals for the poor children? "

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SRI V. M. RAMASWAMI MUDALIYAR:—"May I know, Sir, whether the Government are keeping a watch on the attendance of pupils in the various areas where compulsory education is in force, and whether they are satisfied that the attendance is fairly normal? Are all the school-going children in the schools or not, in spite of the compulsion?"

THE HON. SRI T. S. AVINASHILINGAM CHETTIYAR:—

"Sir, we have been keeping a watch in certain places. Provision has been made for attendance officers also. I cannot say that all the children who ought to come to schools have come already. Anyhow, attempts are being made to bring in as many children as possible."

M. MUHAMMAD ISMAIL SAHIB BAHADUR:—"Do the Government think that without doing anything to relieve the economic backwardness of the people, they can really make headway in their plan of compulsory education?"

THE HON. SRI T. S. AVINASHILINGAM CHETTIYAR:—

"Sir, that is a bigger and separate question, which cannot be answered in a supplementary."

SRI B. S. MURTHI:—"Sir, what right have the Government to compel poor people who are suffering for want of a square meal, to undergo compulsory educational training?"

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