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Dated 24-6-49

[Despatch Abstract.]

Schools - Nazareth Convent High School, Colacian
Preparing students to S.S.L.C examination - Approved

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Nazareth Convent High School,
Ootacamund, Nilgiris.
Dated 15th. November, '48

From,
The Reverend Mother Provincial,
Nazareth Convent High School,
Ootacamund, Nilgiris.

To,
The Hon'ble,
The Minister of Education,
Government of Madras,
Fort St. George, Madras.

Hon'ble Sir,

Sub: European High School - Cambridge Examinations - Admission
open to Indian girls - withdrawal of Percentage Rule - special case.

I have the honour to put before you for favour of kind consideration
and approval the following petition.

We have here at Ootacamund a well-known boarding-school
recognised under the Code of Regulations for European High Schools, and
which prepares pupils for the Junior and Senior Cambridge Examinations.

Last year we have had the honour and the pleasure of
a visit to our school from the Hon'ble Minister of Education, and you
were good enough to speak very encouraging words to our pupils which
these latter proudly remember and try to put into practise!

There is however one great drawback before us, by the
fact that we are only able according to the existing Rules, to admit a
minority of Indian girls into this school. We have to turn down the
cream of India's Youth day after day and month after month, refusing
applications for admission into this Cambridge school, and we come to
you today, Hon'ble Sir, with the pressing petition that you would be so
very good as to remove the percentage barrier with reference to the
admission of Indian girls to Nazareth Convent High School, so that the
Indian parents who so desire may send their children for the Cambridge
Examinations, and that we may give their children the best possible cul-
ture. The peculiarity of this school is that the pupils are only Europ-
ean and Indian, there is no Anglo-Indian group - just a few pupils at
most. Now that most European pupils have left the country, our Indian
Indian pupils will suffer if this "percentage barrier" remains, hence
we press our request as we do want to give the girls the benefit of
Cambridge Classes.

As we shall be opening a new school-year in January
'49 and have a large amount of applications from Indian parents from
every part of this country including Delhi and the North, pending with
us, we will feel very grateful if permission be granted us to admit our
Indian girls without any limit line to their number. Nazareth Convent
High School because of it's situation is a special case in this matter
and we will be very glad if we can do all that is possible for the cul-
ture and thorough education of Indian Girls through the removal of this
percentage barrier,

Thanking you, Hon'ble Sir, for the favour of an early reply,
I have the honour to be,

Your most obedient servant,

Rev. Mother Provincial.

C. No. 85-5-20 C/H.

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To
The D.P.I.C. with
a copy of P. 1. C.F.)

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Schools. European High School - Cambridge
Examinations - Admission of Indian
girls - Withdrawal of percentage Rule.

From Reverend Mother provincial, Nazareth
Convent High School, letter of 16-11-18.

Memo No. 85-5-20/48-1-C - Edu of 2/12/18

~~Referred to the D.P.I.C. for its views~~

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A copy of the letter from the
Rev. Mother Provincial, Nazareth Convent
High School, Octacumund, read above,
is forwarded to the D.P.I. and he is
requested to offer his remarks on the
request that ^{to be} children from North India
who do not know the regional language
for a medium of studies may be
admitted to be admitted in that school
or and above the number permissible under

existing orders.

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Educational Public Health Department.

REMINDER.

@ Educational Branch.

To The Director of Public Instruction

have the honour to invite

I am directed to invite attention to your Memo

No 95520/48-1-E, dated 2/12/48 and

to request that the reply to it may be expedited. request that this reminder may be returned at once with information as to—

- (1) the stage at which the matter now is,
- (2) the date by which a reply may be expected.
- (3) the circumstances which have caused the delay.

Office Secretariat Rajaraj Swamiam

Station Madras

Dated 12/3/49.

SUBJECT.

12/3/48

Schools - European High School -
Cambridge Examinations - Admission
of Indian girls - Withdrawal of
percentage limit

[P.T.O.]

RC.No.3439 E1/48.

Office of the Director of Public Instruction, Madras, Dated 31-3-49

FROM

The Director of Public Instruction,
Madras.

TO

The Secretary to Government,
Education & Public Health Department,
Madras.

Sir,

Sub:Schools - Anglo-Indian - Nazareth Convent High
School, Ootacamund.

Ref:Govt.Memo.No.85520/48-1,C.1, Education dated 2-12-1948.



The Correspondent of the Nazareth Convent High School,

Ootacamund, made a similar representation to the Director on the subject cited above and she was informed in Director's Proceedings RC.3439 E1/48 dated 3-1-1949 that it would not be possible to raise the maximum limit regarding the admission of Indian Children.

2.The Correspondent requests that as it was found impossible to maintain the School any longer as a Cambridge School, owing to the percentage barrier she may be permitted to prepare candidates for the Matriculation Examination of the Madras University. If the School were to give up its recognition under the code of Registration Latin for Anglo-Indian Schools for the purpose of preparing candidates for the Matric examination, the the management will have to refund a portion of the grants (building) that might have been paid to the School so far. Particulars called for in this respect are awaited from the Correspondent. If the management are prepared to run the School as a private one, refunding the proportionate amount of the building grant etc, received then the question of adhering to the percentage limit would not arise.

3.The Inspectress of Anglo-Indian Schools who was consulted in the matter, is of opinion that a general relaxation of the rules in one or more schools for Europeans and Anglo-Indians, where the medium of instruction is English, will prove detrimental to the policy of Government in the matter of instruction in the regional language in Indian Schools, as pupils desirous of having English

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RC 3439 E1/48
Office of the DPT
REPLY. Dated 31-3-49

To The Secretary to Govt
Edn & Pub. Health
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The matter is under
Correspondence and a
report will be Submitted
shortly.

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For Director of Public Instruction
Madras.

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The DPT. may be reminded
on 15-4-49, if necessary

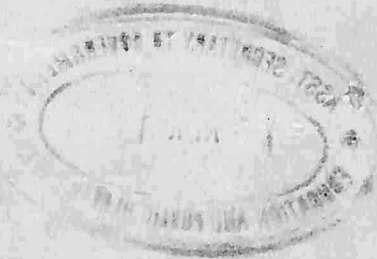
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medium might be seeking admission to such schools in large numbers. I agree with the remarks of the Inspectress of Anglo-Indian Schools.

Yours faithfully,

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for Director of Public Instruction.

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Nazareth Convent High School,
Ootacamund, Nilgiris.
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From,
The Correspondent,
Nazareth Convent Anglo-Indian High School,
Ootacamund, Nilgiris.

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



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Hon'ble Sir,

I have the honour to forward, with reference to our interview of yesterday, Tuesday, 12th. April, the following petition for kind favour of your sympathetic consideration and early disposal, as the matter is pending since December 1948, and we can give no definite answer to the parents of our present 88 pupils, as well as to those who have applied for admission, as to will be decided for their children's education for this year.

1) May we be permitted to admit Indian pupils to Nazareth Convent High School without any "percentage barrier" under the Anglo-Indian Code of Regulations for these schools?

Forty-nine percent of Indian pupils will not save our school. We have at present 73%. Nazareth Convent has the peculiarity of being a Hill-Station where the pupils are mostly European and Indian. There are not more than a dozen Anglo-Indian families there, and consequent on the departure of the European population, unless some concession be shown to the school, neither the Anglo-Indian children can carry on their studies nor the many parents of Indian pupils who want their children to study for the Cambridge, can be satisfied.

It may be said that Grants for the Education of Anglo-Indians cannot be given to Indian pupils in such a large number if they are to be allowed into Anglo-Indian schools. Then, we are willing to forego the Grant for the % of Indian pupils and request that it be given only for the 25% of Anglo-Indians or whatever their % may be.

2) Should Government not be able to see its way to any of these concessions being given, then we request that Govt. will allow the Director of Public Instruction to give a Statement to the University Authorities to the effect that our school if we affiliate to Madras University with Matriculation as the Examination, will not in any way effect an S.S.L.C. school in the locality. We ourselves can vouch for this as we have an S.S.L.C. school running side by side with this Cambridge school for many years.

It has been said that if we cease to run our school as under the Code of Regulations for Anglo-Indian schools we will have to pay back to Govt. a certain sum of Building and Equipment Grants received under less than 35 years. In this connection we regret to state that we cannot afford to pay anything back. Last year we struggled to keep our school open and had to find a sum of an extra Rs7000 to do so. Besides we still wish to run the Institution as an Educational one, and Indian children will get the benefit of it. We have only one desire, and that is to serve the people of India to the best of our ability. Since so many Indian parents from all over the Sub-Continent want Cambridge for their children we request Govt. to exempt us from paying back any Grants received.

Thanking you for the great favour of an early reply,

I have the honour to be, Mary Raymond,

a) Copy to the Secretary, Edn. & Public Health etc.,
b) Copy to the Director of Public Instruction (signed) Mary Raymond.

Correspondent.

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Copy of letter No.A.97 dated 6th January 1949 from the Registrar, University of Madras to the Director of Public Instruction, Madras.



Recognition of Nazareth Convent Girls' High School Ootacamund for purpose of presenting candidates for the Matriculation Examination of this University.

I have the honour to inform you that the Syndicate considered a reference from the Correspondent, Nazareth Convent Girls' High School, Ootacamund (Nilgiris) for recognition of the Institution for purposes of presenting candidates for the Matriculation Examination of this University and resolved that you be requested to report if the School could be recognised for teaching upto the Matriculation Standard.

2. Under Law 1(a) of Chapter XLV (Vol. I, Part II -- Calendar 1945-46) the Matriculation Examination shall be open to candidates from schools recognised by the Director of Public Instruction, Madras, as teaching to the Matriculation standard but not preparing for the Secondary School Leaving Certificate Examination.

3. I am therefore to request you to let me know whether the Nazareth Convent Girls' High School, Ootacamund could be recognised for teaching up to the Matriculation standard. A copy of the letter from the Correspondent is enclosed.

The favour of an early reply is requested.

(True copy)

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Letter No. Nil dated 23.5.48 from the Correspondent, Nazareth Convent European Girls' High School, Ootacamund to the Director of Public Instruction, Madras.

Ref: Nazareth Convent School -- Application for removal of percentage barrier -- Matriculation -- Exemption of payment of refund grants.

I have the honour to request you to kindly consider the following petition favourably, in view of the existing difficulties regarding the above school ~~financially~~ matters: --

FOR SUCH PUPILS AS WHO MAY DESIRE IT: --

1. May we open an English section coaching for S.S.L.C. Examinations and be responsible for the maintenance of such a section asking no Grant-in-Aid from Government but charging school fees at our own rates so as to help us in the financial upkeep of the section.

2. May we open a Matriculation section also. As for the SSLC school we will be responsible for the financial upkeep of this school. Our only desire is to be allowed to cater for the various categories of pupils in the present existing Anglo-Indian and European school. We have an SSLC school already catering for the needs of the Tamil local children and we trust that Government will be kind enough to sanction our appeal that we may do all we can to further the education of every class and type of pupils who ask for education. In sanctioning a section in English for S.S.L.C. and a Matric school we will be able to cater for the entire Anglo Indian School as it now stands and we will be most grateful to Government for such a sanction. As both schools would have to begin in June we will very much appreciate an early reply. Thanking you,

(True copy)

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SCHOOLS - Nazareth Convent High School, Ootacamund -
Preparing students for S.S.L.C. Examn. - Approved.

From the D.P.I., No. 3409 El/48 dt. 3-6-49.

ORDER/MS. NO. 2017 EDN., DATED 24-6-49

The Govt. approve the proposal of the D.P.I. that the Nazareth Convent High School, Ootacamund, may be permitted to present candidates for the S.S.L.C. Public Examn. and to adopt English as the medium of instruction on condition that no grant is paid for the school and that the management will be charged ^{allowed to} school fees at ~~the~~ rates which it considers reasonable. The Director is authorised to recognise the school temporarily, as a special case, under the provisions of the Madras Educational Rules.

The Management need not be required to refund any portion of the building and equipment grants

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drawn by it when the institution was recognised under the Code of Regulations for Anglo-Indian schools.

To

The D.P.I.

Copy to the Reverend Mother, Provincial Nazareth Convent High School, Ooty, The Nilgiris.

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Education Department

From The Director of Public Instruction, Madras.
To The Secretary to Government, Education Department, Madras.

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Re.No.3439-E1/48,d/25-3-50.

Sub: Schools - Nazareth - Convent High School, Ootacamund
Preparing students for the S.S.L.C.Examination --
Permission to close the S.S.L.C. School.

Ref: G.O.(M.S.) No.2017, Edn. dated 24-6-49.

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I submit herewith a copy of the letter dated 21-2-50 from the Correspondent, Nazareth Convent High School, Ootacamund. As requested by the Correspondent, I am permitting her to close the S.S.L.C.School with effect from March,1950.

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2 With reference to para 2 of the G.O., I am examining the question of refund of the building and equipment grants drawn by the School. A further report will be submitted to Government in due course.

Yours faithfully,

J. O. Sankaranarayanan
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For Director of Public Instruction.

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Copy of letter dated 21st February, 1950 from the Correspondent,
Nazareth Convent High School, Ootacamund to the Director of Public
Instruction.

In a communication from your Office-No.3409-E1/48, dated 3-6-49
our School, Nazareth Convent was authorised to prepare candidates for
the S.S.L.C and to adopt English as the medium of instruction. Accordingly
this English S.S.L.C. school was opened on 1st July, 1949 with Forms III-VI.

It was thought that this section would attract many pupils,
but it has been found to be the contrary. At present, the total
strength is only 6 pupils - 2 in Form VI and 4 in Form V. There
are definitely no prospects of increasing the number. In Ootacamund
the pupils who wish to prepare for the S.S.L.C. Examination are anxious
to do it through the medium of Tamil and this they can very easily do
in the Bethlehem High School (Tamil Medium) which is also under our
management. The other students who wish to study through the medium
of English prefer to prepare for the Cambridge Examination. Consequently
we have not sent in the application for recognition.

As it is an enormous expense for us to maintain this school, we
should be grateful, if you would kindly sanction its immediate closure.
The two girls of Form VI will appear for the S.S.L.C. in March and
the four girls of Form V will attend Bethlehem High School, where it
will be easier for them to follow the Tamil medium.

Trusting this will meet with your approval and thanking you for
your usual kind interest.

I have, Sir, the honour to be,

Your most obedient servant,,

Sd/
Correspondent.

/True copy/

G. S. Pantanelli
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For Director of Public Instruction.

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Secretary, E. & P.H.

Please see herewith a representation of the Nazareth Convent High School, Ootacamund. It is an Anglo-Indian School in which the percentage of Indian children to be admitted is limited. But they say that children from Northern India who do not ^{know} the medium of the regional language may be allowed to be admitted in the school over and above that number. I think we have allowed that in the case of the other schools. They may be allowed to do so in the case of this school also.

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Edw. and P.H. Deptt.

Please see the representation on page 1 of and the minutes of H.M. (Edw.) above. H.M. presumably refers to the orders in Memo. No. 88657/C1/47-5-Edw., dated 31.3.1948. But that Memo. relates only to non-Muslim refugees from West Pakistan. The request at A' on page 1 of cannot, therefore, be allowed under the orders in the Memo. referred to above.

The request can be granted only as a special concession. For order whether, in the circumstances stated in the petition, the request at A' may be considered as a special case and, if so, the remarks of the D.P.I. may be called for in the first instance.

May be done.
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With ref. to the above orders, the remarks of the D.P.I. may be called for now. A draft Memo is submitted for approval.

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H.M. sent ~~me~~ the representatives of the Nazareth Convent High school to me in respect of their request to be allowed to present candidates for the Matriculation examination. I directed the representatives to the D.P.I. The representatives now inform me that the D.P.I. has asked them to let him know whether they will refund the grants given to them for building and equipment purposes in case the school loses its character as an Anglo-Indian school. I would like to know if there are any precedents for such a demand. After all Government wants educational institutions and cannot discriminate so precisely between European and Indian students. In fact, it will be rather ironical that after India has attained her own Government she should penalise an institution because it changes over from Europeans to Indians.

The representatives made it out that they are placed in a most embarrassing position as no orders have been passed on their letter of 15th November which leaves them in doubt as to what they should do with the children now in school. It is very essential that orders should issue without delay.

It appears to me that the problem is not peculiar to this institution. All Anglo-Indian schools must be finding that their enrolment now is decreasing and that they can only maintain themselves by admitting Indian pupils. If the policy of Government is to encourage education it seems necessary that this tendency is not checked. No doubt the D.P.I. points out that if Anglo-Indian schools are thrown open to Indians, there may be a tendency for Indians to join them with a view to avoid the regional language. Is this position correct or have we ^{since} allowed English in place of the regional language? In respect of linguistic minorities, the recent ^{suggestions} orders of the Government of India allow the medium of instruction to be the mother tongue of the pupils concerned. It is possible that the case of this institution and of other Anglo-Indian institutions may be covered by this rule. However, the position must be examined because we cannot

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afford to neglect the opportunity of using existing institutions to their capacity for education of females. If the point is that money assigned for the education of Anglo-Indians should not be diverted to the education of Indians, it may be possible to adjust the grant to the number of Anglo-Indian pupils.

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The Nazareth Convent High School is recognised under the Code of Regulations for European and Anglo-Indian Schools.

The Institutions recognised under the Code are eligible to prepare pupils for ^{the} European and Anglo-Indian School Leaving Examination. They may also present candidates for the Cambridge local examinations. The Code does not contemplate the coaching by institutions recognised under it of pupils for the Matriculation Examination. The Matriculation Examination is conducted by the University. The Govt. ^{are} have themselves been conducting a parallel examination viz., the School Final Examination and obviously the Govt. cannot encourage the growth of institutions preparing pupils for the Matriculation Examination. The request of the authorities of the Convent to be allowed to prepare pupils for the Matric. Examination and at the same time to be granted all ^{the} privileges of an institution recognised by the Dept. cannot therefore be complied with.

Again the present policy of Govt. is to impart instruction in the high school classes through the medium of ~~native~~ ^{or regional language} mother tongue. Please see in ^{this} connection ^{the} Note for the Cabinet on the subject placed below. The medium of instruction in European and Anglo-Indian Schools is English and if Indians are admitted in large numbers in Anglo-Indian Schools ~~this~~ the policy of instruction through the regional language will be proved detrimental. ^{short circuited}

Until recently managements of Anglo-Indian Schools could admit non-Anglo-Indian pupils ^{only} upto 33 1/2% of the total number of pupils and in case of special difficulty the Inspectress could permit the admission of such pupils to the limit of 40% of the strength of the school. This percentage limit should

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be kept in the primary section as well as in the school as a whole.

In the Memo dated 31-3-48 the Govt. directed that admissions be made in all European and Anglo-Indian Schools beyond the 40% of strength to the extent necessary to accommodate non-Muslim refugees from Western Pakistan upto 49%. In Feb. last the Govt. directed that ^{the} increased percentage upto 49% allowed for refugee pupils be made available for the purpose of accommodating other Indian pupils. Again in the last month the Govt. approved the proposal of the D.P.I. that the separate percentage for primary classes may be abolished and that the percentage might be for the ~~institution~~ institution as a whole. Under these orders the Anglo-Indian Schools can admit Indian pupils upto 49% of their total strength. If in spite of these ^{or other arrangements,} they are not able to find sufficient number of pupils the only course open to them is to change the character of Anglo-Indian Schools and begin preparing students for the School Final Examination and get recognised under the Grant-in-Aid Code instead of under the Code of Regulations for European schools. // Perhaps the entire note file may be sent to the D.P.I. u.o. for early remarks before circulation.

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The issues raised in the Correspondent's letter dated 13-4-49 at p. 11 c.f. are:

(1) that the institution cannot be maintained for the education of Anglo-Indians unless Indians are admitted in the proportions of Europeans who have now left the country. The Correspondent is agreeable that the grant may be related to the per capita enrolment of Anglo-Indians. This proposal will be consistent with the resolution of the Inter-Provincial Board of Anglo-Indian Education quoted by the D.P.I. at p. 1 of linked file "that the proportion of Indians may be increased by the Provincial Government according to local needs provided that no Anglo Indian child is refused admission". According

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According to this resolution we could ask the D.P.I. to fix a separate percentage for the school consistently with the local needs. He may be able to confer the percentage suggested by the Correspondent which is 75%. It would appear that unless we act accordingly, the school will lack the necessary economic strength and may have to be closed down with loss of facilities for both Anglo Indians and Indians. This will not be consistent with the policy of Government to extend female education;

(2) that in case Government is not agreeable to raise the percentage, the school may be allowed to affiliate to the Madras University for the Matriculation examination. The preference for the Matriculation examination has been explained as due to the fact that the majority of the students do not belong to the region and that therefore they ^{have} is no use for the regional language as the medium of instruction according to the S.S.L.C. course. The Correspondent explains that it is not the intention of the Convent to draw away students from the S.S.L.C. as they themselves have a separate school for this purpose. The policy of Government in respect of the enforcement of the regional language is being reviewed with reference to the recent communication from the Government of India that the mother tongue may be allowed as the medium of instruction where a sufficient number of students are available. In the meanwhile in respect of the ^{Stanis} ~~Stant~~'s School in Coimbatore the Director appears to have supported the request for ^{English} ~~language~~ as the medium of instruction. A similar exception has been made in respect of a section in the Christian College. It would therefore appear that it is not the intention of Govt. to enforce the regional language at all costs irrespective of the mother tongue of the students. The other objection raised by the office that we should not encourage the Matriculation examination can be met if in respect of the students preparing for the Matriculation examination no grant is given by Govt.

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Otherwise, when such an examination is allowed by Government to exist, it would not be correct to refuse facilities for preparation for it, without assistance from Government;

(3) whether in the circumstances the percentage is increased or the pupils are allowed to appear for the Matriculation, the building and equipment grants should be recovered. It is not known under what rules ~~is~~ the recovery contemplated.

The Management explains that they are not in a position to make any refund and the result would be that they would be compelled to close the school. This as already noted would affect both Anglo Indian and Indian education.

I suggest therefore that the D.P.I. may be asked whether alternative (1) or (2) may be accepted. If he prefers alternative (1), he may indicate the percentage to be fixed for Indian students. The D.P.I. may be requested to report immediately as the Management is anxious for a decision in respect of the students already in the school for more than three months without any information in respect of the examination they are to take.

H.M. (Edn)

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U.O. Reply No. 3409 El/48 D/3.6.49.

Resubmitted.



The Nazareth Convent School, Ootacamund is an Anglo-Indian School recognised by the Director under the Code of Regulations for Anglo-Indian Schools. Besides the Nazareth Convent High School, Ootacamund, the following are the recognised Anglo Indian Schools in the Nilgiris: --

1. St. Joseph's Boys' High School, Coonoor
2. St. Joseph's Girls High School, Coonoor.
3. Stanes Girls' High School, Coonoor.
4. Hebron Girls' High School, Coonoor.
5. Mountain Home Primary Mixed School, Coonoor
6. St. Georges Home High Mixed School, Ketti
7. Brecks Memorial High Mixed School, Ootacamund
8. Lawrence Memorial Royal Military Boys' School, Lovedale.
9. Lawrence Memorial Royal Military Girls' School, Lovedale.

Schools Nos. 8 and 9 have been taken over by the Government of India with a view to running them as Indian Public Schools which will prepare candidates for the Cambridge School Certificate Examination. It will thus be seen that there are a number of schools in Ootacamund to cater to the educational needs of the Anglo Indian pupils.

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In their Memo. No. 6836 Cl/49-1 Education dated 28.2.49 the Government directed that the increased limits up to 49 percent allowed for Refugee pupils be made available for the purpose of accommodating other Indian pupils. It is understood that the proposal to increase the upper limit to 50 per cent is now under the consideration of the Government. The resolution of the Inter Provincial Board was to the effect that during the 10 years' period, 40 per cent of the vacancies in Anglo Indian schools should be made available to members of other communities, provided that the percentage could be increased by the Provincial Government according to the local needs and provided also that no Anglo Indian child is refused admission into such schools and the special standard and character of the School is maintained. The request of the management of the Nazareth Convent School to admit Indian Pupils upto 75 per cent would appear to be inadmissible.

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With reference to the Correspondent's request to recognise her school for purposes of presenting candidates for the Matriculation examination of the Madras University, it may be stated that this department conducts the S.S.L.C. Public Examination for pupils studying in recognised Indian High Schools, as well as the Anglo-Indian High Schools Examinations for the pupils studying in recognised Anglo Indian Schools. Under the Provisions of the Code of Regulations for Anglo Indian Schools, some recognised Anglo Indian Schools also prepare candidates for the Cambridge School Certificate Examination. With reference to Law 1(a) of the Chapter XLVI (Vol. I Part II Madras University Calendar 1945-46) it may be stated that the Director has no authority to certify to the fitness or otherwise of any school, Indian or Anglo Indian, for its recognition for teaching up to the Matriculation standard so as to enable the Madras University to recognise that school for purposes of preparing candidates for the Matric Examination; please see the letter ^(copy) dated 6.1.1949 of the Registrar, University of Madras. In my opinion also it does not seem desirable to issue any certificate to that effect.

Under Art. 150 of the Code of Regulations for Anglo Indian schools, the managing body of any institution receiving a grant under the Code shall refund the grant or a portion of it as specified in the Article if the land or building in respect of which the grant was made ceases to be used for educational purposes approved by Government. Under Article 154 of the Code of Regulations for Anglo-Indian Schools the management of a school will be required to part with the equipment if it fails to fulfil the conditions laid down therein. The Nazareth Convent School drew both building and

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equipment grants and the question of refunding the grants by the school will have to be considered.

The specific issues raised in the notes on pages 4 to 6 are answered seriatim: --

(i) It is asked whether consistently with the resolutions of the Inter Provincial Board, a separate percentage viz., 75% for the Nazareth Convent School may not be fixed by the Director. The resolution of the ^{Inter} ~~Indian~~ Provincial Board refers to 3 proviso (a) local needs (b) no Anglo-Indian child is refused admission and (c) the special standard and character of the school is maintained. It is difficult to observe (c) with a 75% Indian dilution.

(ii) As regards the question of affiliating this institution as a Matric school to the Madras University, it may be stated that this question has not arisen before. There has been no precedent for this, and there is also no provision in the rules. It is possible to recognise it as a special school, but the long range implications of such a procedure are against it.

(iii) Grants have to be recovered under the rules (vide article 150 and 154 of the Code of Regulations for Anglo-Indian schools) unless the Government are prepared to waive their claims. There can be no doubt that a waiver of that kind as under the present circumstances would be a very bad precedent.

I wish to add that the Correspondent of the School has since submitted a revised proposal, which gives a new turn to the question. A copy of her letter dated 23.5.1949 containing the proposal is enclosed. I have examined this proposal and recommend that the management of the Nazareth Convent European Girls' High School, Ootacamund may be granted permission to present candidates

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for the S.S.L.C. Public Examination and to adopt English as the medium of instruction on condition that no grant may be paid for the school, but that the school will be allowed to charge school fees at rates which they may consider reasonable. In view of the fact that the school has all along been a European school and having regard to the fact that the management is not going to receive any grant for the school, I may be authorised to recognise the school temporarily as a special case under the provisions of the Madras Educational Rules. The management need not be required to refund any portion of the building and equipment grants drawn when it was a European school since it still continues to be a recognised school, though under a different set of rules, namely, Madras Educational Rules.

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for D. P. I.

To the Secretary to Govt.,
Education & Public
Health Department
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E. & P. H. Dept. (C1)

Please see the Secretary's note on pages 4-6 above and the Director's reply to it on pages 7-10. For orders whether the proposal now made by the D.P.I. may be accepted. For orders as to circulation.

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It has become a question of existence for the Nazareth Convent at Ooty to find students to fill up the place previously occupied by Europeans. The Convent now depends largely on Indian students from other provinces to maintain its economic strength. Obviously the proportion of Anglo-Indian students is small as there are many other Anglo-Indian schools

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in the Nilgiris which are perhaps cheaper. The Correspondent represented that Indian students drawn from other provinces are unwilling and incapable of following the S.S.L.C. course in the vernacular. She therefore proposed that they may be allowed to prepare for the Matriculation examination. The Director of Public Instruction is not in favour of this and asks to be authorised to recognise the school temporarily for the S.S.L.C. through the English as the medium of instruction. As H.M. has minuted that the D.P.I. should be allowed to use his discretion in respect of the language question, he may, in the circumstances of the school be authorised as proposed by him.

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A / Arjanayagam was telling me that there is a direction
by P.D. that if an Indian student
should have either the mother tongue or Regional language
as medium of instruction & cannot have English, even if it
be in an Anglo Indian school. Is this correct. By OI SPK



Any direction as at A -
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The resolution of the Govt. of India on the medium of instruction in educational institutions (elementary and secondary) is at pages 3-4 of (A). This presumably does not apply to Anglo Indian schools. No direction as at A above appears to have been received in B1 Section

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At the meeting of the Inter-Provincial Board for Anglo-Indian Education held at Delhi on the 25th July 1948 it was resolved that "The Board recommends that while the medium of instruction will be English, the National Language and the Regional language shall be introduced at a stage to be determined by the respective Provincial Boards to suit local conditions".

Again at the meeting of the Provincial Board for Anglo-Indian Education held on the 27th Sep. 1948 the Board expressed the following opinion:- "The Board was of opinion that while the medium of instruction in Anglo-Indian Schools will continue to be in English, the regional language should be taught at the earliest stage and not later than the second standard. The national language may be taught in Standards IV to VI as an addl. second language." ~~In this connexion the Hon'ble Minister strongly advised that Anglo-Indian children should master the regional language to qualify them for admission in colleges which will in course of time adopt the regional language as the medium of instruction".~~

No communication appears to have been received from the Govt. of India that Indian students ~~whether they~~ even ~~when they~~ study in Anglo-Indian schools should have the mother tongue or the regional language as the medium of instruction.

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The only direction of the Government of India in respect of language is the one at p. 3 of Flag 'A'. This direction is a permissive one providing for the choice of the student rather than enforcing a particular language.

In any case, in respect of European schools English has been approved as medium of instruction. Consequentially Indian students who can form 50 per cent of the enrolment will be taught in English. Of course, in addition to that one Indian

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language has to be studied for the S.S.L.C. We may therefore accept the D.P.I.'s proposal

H.M.(E.&L.)

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A draft order is subd.

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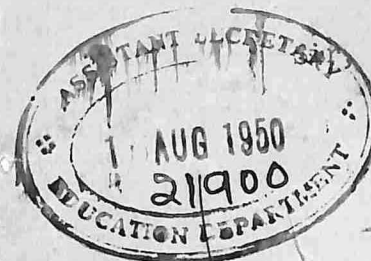
From

The Director Public Instruction,
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To

The Secretary the Government of Madras,
Education Detment, Fort St. George, Madras.

R.C. 3439-E1/48 dated 28th July 1950.



NAZARETH CONVENT HIGH SCHOOL, OOTACAMUND--Building and Equipment grants drawn--fund--May be kept in abeyance.
Reference:-Mytter R.C.No.3439-E1/48 dated 25..3..1950.

In continuation of my letter referred to above, I submit herewith a copy of the letter dated 20.3.1950 from the Correspondent, Nazareth Convent High School, Ootacamund. The Correspondent has also stated that the school is also preparing candidates for the Matriculation Examination of the Madras University. The Madras University has granted recognition to the school as an institution to prepare and present candidates for the Matriculation Examination of the University. The Correspondent of the school requests that as the building and furniture are solely used for educational purposes, she may be exempted from refunding any portion of the building and equipment grants drawn by the school as it was recognised under the Code of Regulations for European Schools. I recommend the request of the Correspondent for the kind consideration of Government. The management of the school need not be required to refund a portion of the building and equipment grants drawn by it.

Yours faithfully,

J. P. Paulavathi
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For Director of Public Instruction

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Enclosure.

Copy of letter from the Correspondent, Nazareth Convent, Ootacamund to the Director of Public Instruction, Madras dated 20..3..1950.

Subject:- Nazareth Convent High School, Ootacamund--Closure of S.S.L.C. Class.
Reference:-R.C.No.349-E1/48 dated 13th March 1950.

With reference to the above communication, I beg to state that Nazareth Convent School will continue to exist, after the closure of S.S.L.C. Class in March 1950, for the purpose of preparing pupils for the Cambridge University Examinations. In the Proceedings of the Director of Public Instruction, R.C.No.3560-E1/49 dated 9.3.1950, we have been informed that Nazareth Convent School has been retained on the list of approved schools for the award of Certificate A.

The number of pupils presented for the Cambridge University Examinations in December 1949 were as follows:-

Senior School Certificate	..	5 candidates
Junior School Certificate	..	5 candidates.

At present, there are 76 pupils studying in the school in classes other than S.S.L.C. and these are all desirous of appearing for the Cambridge Examinations. Trusting this information will give satisfaction.

/True copy/.

J. P. Paulavathi
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For Director of Public Instruction.

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Sd/- Nazareth Convent High School, Colacamund
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Note D.P.I. No. 3439-E1/48 dated 28-7-50

M.No. 21900-D/50-2 Edu dated 29-8-50

In circumstances stated, the Govt approve the
proposal of the D.P.I. that the management of Nazareth
Convent High School, Colacamund may be exempted from
rendering any portion of the building and equipment
grants drawn by the school when it was recognised
under the Code of regulations for Anglo Indian schools.

To,
The D.P.I.

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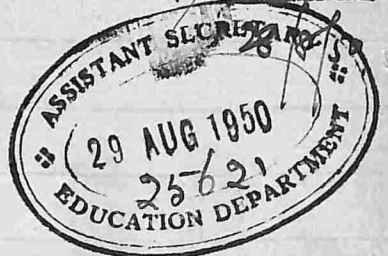
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