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To

The Hon. Minister for Education,
Madras.

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The Hon. Minister for Education,
Madras.

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That your memorialist is the President of a registered association formed for the express and only purpose of running a high school in the village of Engandiyur in the North Arcot District where there is no such high school in the locality. All sections of the people have membership in the association.
2. When the National High School Committee formed for the above purpose applied for permission to open a middle school in the locality (about 25 of the population) applied to get their St. Thomas Higher Elementary School converted into a middle school. Both the requests were granted and the National Middle School and the St. Thomas Middle School came into existence in 1940. The two middle schools thereafter applied for permission to open IV form. The educational authorities who visited the place found scope for only one high school in the village. Sri V. V. Mangayachari who was then the Divisional Inspector of Schools, Coimbatore, Madras, visited the place in 1940, examined all aspects in detail and found that the National Middle School was by all means more fitted to be raised to a high school. A reference to the previous papers will bear out the above facts. The National High School which opened IV form in

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Schools - Secondary - Aided - St. Thomas Middle School,
Engandiyur - Opening of Form IV

Memorial from the President, National High School Committee,
Engandiyur d/29.5.49.

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Memorandum No 42331 B/49-Edm. dated 3.6.49.
A copy of the petition from the President, National High School Committee, Engandiyur d/29.5.49 on the above subject is forwarded to the S. P. S. and he is requested to state whether the management of the St. Thomas Middle School, Engandiyur, has been permitted to open Form IV in the school from the school year 1949-50. He is requested to furnish figures in

in respect of the strength of the two schools and to state whether the opening of higher forms in the St. Thomas Secondary School, is likely to tend to reduce the strength of the National High School, Engandiyur, so as to make it uneconomic.

2.) The Director is also requested to arrange for a personal enquiry into the matter by the Divisional Inspector, Coimbatore and to forward the latter's report to Govt with his remarks thereon at an early date. The Director is requested to consider whether the permission to open Form IV is suspended, if already granted to the St. Thomas Middle School, can be withdrawn without any inconvenience to the interests concerned, of the parents and of the school.

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The matter has already been referred to the D.P.G for report. This may be added to the main file on the subject.

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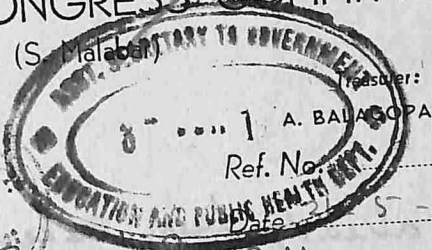
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Dear Mr. Shetty,

42555 you would already have been apprised of the matter in reference. When the National High School in Engandiyin, S. Malabar applied for permission two years ago to open high school classes, the St. Thomas Middle School also applied for permission to open IV form. When the Government found that there was no scope for two high schools in the locality they denied permission ^{to the Missionary effort}. The National High School, Engandiyin has now applied for permission to open IV form. The missionaries did not accept their failure but have been continuing their efforts to convert their

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middle school into a high school. Now I understand they have been given permission to open IV form contrary to what the Govt. did two years back.

I wish to impress on you that there is no scope for two high schools in Engadiyur. It is a sound policy adopted by the Congress to encourage National institutions in preference to denominational institutions. Perhaps the missionaries would not have got permission to open a rival school in the same locality within four furlongs of the existing high school but for the fact that the present D.E.O happens to be a Christian. It is unfortunate that the Educational officer was guided more by communal bias than by justice. Every one knows there is no scope for two high schools here.

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and to give permission to open one more high school will lead to all kinds of unhealthy rivalry and communal conflict. The Congress government ought not to encourage such a thing.

The other religionists are playing havoc among the Harijans and are having a good harvest. Thousands of these helpless, ignorant, and poor people are being converted to other faiths. When the Congress Govt. undertook to encourage their education and to improve their economic status the Govt. wanted to protect them from these inroads. But for the fact that the then Educational minister was a Christian, the favours shown

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To Harijans Children would not have been extended to converted Harijans. Now there has been a wholesome change in that matter. Now converted Harijans are not entitled to all those educational concessions. All the missionary institutions, you will grant, do a kind of insidious propaganda to convert helpless people. We ought not to countenance it.

I hope you will countermand the permission given to the missionary school to open High School classes in close proximity to the existing National High School.

Thanking you.

E & P. H. (B.)

Yours sincerely
K. K. Sanyal

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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS

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1947 shall be completing VI Form this year.

3. While the National High School was thus raised to a High School, St. Thomas Middle School was allowed to continue as a Middle School. They renewed their request to open IV Form last year, but the request was turned down by the authorities. Now I understand that the Director of Public Instruction has issued orders permitting the St. Thomas Middle School, Engandiyur, to open IV Form in this academic year.

4. My humble submission is that the St. Thomas Middle School should not be permitted to open IV Form for the following reasons.

(1) The St. Thomas Middle School is within half a mile from the National High School and both lie on the same road. No where in the villages of Malabar can one find High Schools at such close proximity.

(ii) Engandiyur is a small village which has not even been constituted into a Village Panchayat. The needs of the village can very well be served by the existing National High School.

(iii) The financial resources of the people are gradually deteriorating for various reasons and the number of students seeking admission in High School is steadily going down every year. A comparative study of the strength in Forms I, II and III in 1946-47 and 48-49 amply bears testimony to this fact. The strength in Form I was 45 in 1946-47 as against 26 in 1948-49 in Form II, 45 in 1946-47 as against 42 in 48-49 and in Form III 124 in 46-47 as against 103 in 48-49.

(iv) When both the Middle Schools were competing for the opening of two High Schools in 1946, the public feeling that there is need for only one High School in Engandiyur was recorded at a Public meeting held at Engandiyur on 13-12-46 under the Presidentship of Sri K. Kelappan, President, Kerala Provincial Congress Committee and attended among others by Sri C.K. Govindan Nair, M.L.A., and Secretary Kerala Provincial Congress Committee and Dr. P.G. Nair, M.L.A.

(v) The High School at Engandiyur cannot expect to draw students from neighbouring villages as most of them are having High

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Schools of their own or High Schools in the immediate neighbourhood. The High School at Mullassery is only about 2½ miles away from Engandiyu. The St. Joseph's High School at Pavaraty is only about 4 miles to the north. The High School at Chowghat and Valapad are within a radius of about 6 miles.

(vi) The National High School is run by the representatives of the local people in which there is no place for caste or creed. Pupils of all communities including a fairly good number of Christians attend the school. The St. Thomas Middle School is a sectarian institution which has no public support, primarily intended to cater to the needs of their own community, and to carry on religious propaganda among non-christian community who come within their fold.

(vii) From the above facts it is clearly evident that the St. Thomas Middle school has no claim to be raised to a High School and I am led to believe that the District Educational Officer, S. Malabar has been highly prejudicial against in recommending the proposal for raising the St. Thomas Middle School to a High School. The procedure adopted by him also gives room for suspicion especially in view of the fact that our objection to the proposal was called for in his R.O.C. 117 H/49 dated 7-4-49 which was received by me only on the 20th along with another reference of his R.O.C. 283 H/49 dated 13-4-49 and despatched on 18-4-49. I duly submitted my objections to the proposal on the 21st April itself which he seems to have simply overlooked.

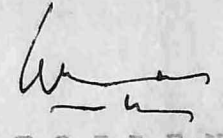
(VIII) I may also submit that the growth of the St. Thomas High School by the side of the National High School may lead to unhealthy rivalry and village factions and may have very adverse effects on the growth of both the institutions. Besides, as a limited number of students will have to be shared by both the institutions both will have to work with huge deficits and Government will be obliged to spend large amount unnecessarily in the form of Grant-in-aid.

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am not in favour of its being treated as such. I am in favour of
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growth of both the institutions. Further, as a stated number of
will have to be shared by both the institutions both will have to
and the Government will be obliged to spend large sums
of money in the form of grants-in-aid.

Under the circumstances I earnestly pray that the order
of the Director granting permission to the St. Thomas Middle School
for opening IV Form in this academic year may be cancelled forth-
with.

For which act of justice the humble memorialist shall as
in duty bound ever pray.

Engandiyur, 1
29-5-1949. 1


PRESIDENT.

Copies submitted to:-

1. The President, Kerala Provincial Congress Committee,
Calicut.
2. The Hon'ble Minister Sri K. Madhava Menon, Minister for Law,
Madras.
3. Dr. P. G. Bair, M.A.A., Guruvayur.

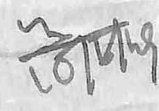
Enclosure.

A copy of the plan showing the position of
High Schools -

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Action has already been taken on another
copy of this petition. This may be added to
the main file on the subject.


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The Minister for Education, Government of Madras, find a resolution passed unanimously at a meeting of the Village Congress Committee, Angandiyur, held on Saturday, the 11th of June 1949 at 5 p.m. under the Presidency of Sri V. P. Kaman.

Yours faithfully

Angandiyur
11th June 1949

[Signature]
Secretary

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Copy to

1. Prime Minister to the Government of Madras
2. President, Kerala Provincial Congress Committee, Calicut.

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Resolution.

This meeting requests the Minister for Education to the Government of Madras to repeal the sanction given for a second High School in the Village of Engandiyur within a distance of three furlongs of the existing High School, to wit, National High School, in utter disregard of the latter which had been started under the Management of the National High School, Committee, a committee formed by the Public in view of the long felt need of the locality, and so paving the way for unhealthy competition and party feeling and entailing un-necessary expenditure to the Government.

Introduced from the Chair and passed unanimously,

(signed)
President, Village Congress
Committee, 11th June 1949.

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The Minister for Education,
Government of Madras, Madras.

Sir,

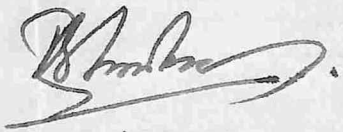
Enclosed please find a copy of the resolution passed unanimously at a meeting of the Village Congress Committee, Engnadiyur, held on Saturday, the 11th of June 1949 at 5 p.m. under the Presidency of Sri V. P. Raman.

Yours faithfully

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Engnadiyur

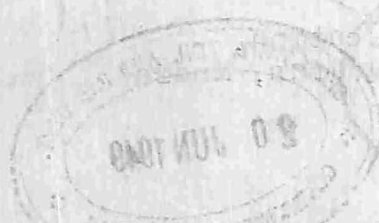
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Secretary

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2. President, Kerala Provincial Congress Committee, Calicut.

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Introduced from the Chair and passed.
unanimously,

(signed)
President, Village Congress
Committee, 11th June 1949.

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EDUCATION DEPARTMENT:

R.O.C.NO.508-D.3/49



OFFICE OF THE
DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION,
MADRAS, DATED 21---6--1949.

FROM THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION,
MADRAS.

TO
THE SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT,
EDUCATION AND PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT,
MADRAS.

SIR,

SUBJECT: Schools - Secondary - Aided - St. Thomas
Middle School, Engandiyur - Opening of Form IV
Protest from the National High School,
Engandiyur.

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R E F. Government Memorandum No.4233-B.1.49.1
Education dated 3--6--1949.

WITH reference to the Orders in the above Memorandum
the Divisional Inspector of Schools, Coimbatore visited the
place and has submitted his report together with the figures
regarding strength, required by Government.

below IN submitting herewith a copy of the above report,
I wish to state that the report gives all the necessary de-
tails and the points raised have all been met. I agree with
the Divisional Inspector that the permission to open Form IV
(restricting admission to only one section) already granted need not
in the interests of the public and the school. *IV cancelled*

Yours faithfully,

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for Director of Public Instruction.

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Copy of letter RC.No.284-B/49 dated 11-6-49 of the
Divisional Inspector of School, Coimbatore to the Director
of Public Instruction, Madras.

Ref: Your Confdl. D.O.No.598-D.3/49 dated 6th June
1949.

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As per instructions conveyed in your D.O. letter
quoted above forwarding a copy of Government's Special Memorandum No.
42331-B.1/49 Education dated 3-6-49, I proceeded to Engandiyur on
the 10th June 1949 and the following detailed report is submitted,
along with the enclosures sent with the D.O. mentioned above.

2. Sri P.P.Sankunni, the President of the National
High School Committee, Engandiyur was not in the place on 10-6-49.
But I met some of the members including the Treasurer and Sri Velu-
kutty, a prominent member of the Committee. The Committee is said
to consist of 15 members and the total membership of the general
body is reported to be about 400, some of whom are said to be in
Ceylon. I understand that there are only 2 christians among the
members, one from Valapad and one from Colombo. This Association
was

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was formed in 1946 and registered for the purpose of conducting a High School in Engandiyur. I was told that there was no annual report of the Association and as the accounts of the Association primarily refer to the maintenance of the High School, the accounts of the High School are tantamount to the accounts of the Association.

3. The Christians of the locality from a minority community and the majority of the non-christian population is said to consist of Thiyyas. Before 1946, there were 2 H.E.Schools in Engandiyur, one S.N.Higher Elementary School and the other, R.C. St. Thomas Higher Elementary School. Both these High Schools applied for permission to open Middle Schools and permission was granted in both cases. The R.C.St.Thomas Higher Elementary School was converted into a Middle School and they were not permitted to run a separate Higher Elementary School, whereas the S.N.Higher Elementary School was permitted to be continued even after a separate middle school the National Middle School was opened. The National Secondary School is managed by a separate registered committee, Sri P.P. Sankunni, who is the President of the National High School Committee, however continues to be the Correspondent of the S.N.Higher Elementary school, which is still working. Permission to open form IV in the National High School was given in 1947 and Forms V was opened in 1948 and the application for permission to open form VI in 1949 has been given. The St. Thomas Middle School applied for permission to open form IV in 1947 and this was refused in Director's Procs.Dis.2811/47 dated 5-6-47. Again the Mission School applied for permission to open form IV in 1948 and this was also refused in Director's Proceedings Dis.2638/ dated 31-5-48. They applied for the third time in 1949, this year, and permission was granted in Director's 508/D.3/48 dated 24-5-49 restricting the opening of only one section in Form IV. A protest telegram against this permission by the management of the National High School, Engandiyur has been referred to the District Educational Officer, South Malabar by the Director and is pending reply.

4. While recommending the opening of Form IV in St. Thomas Middle School, Engandiyur, the District Educational Officer definitely stated that the strength in the National High School is increasing and the accommodation provided therein was not adequate. The need for another High School being thus established, the request of the St. Thomas Middle School was complied with by the Director only after 3 years.

5. A rough sketch map of the environment of Engandiyur is enclosed herewith. The distance between the National High School, Engandiyur and the St. Thomas High School is about $\frac{1}{2}$ a mile and it took exactly 10 minutes for the Dy. Inspector and myself to walk from one school to another. The National High School has 12 sections in all (7 higher forms and 5 lower forms) - please see statement A attached. The strength of all the higher forms (IV, V and VI) is 272 on 10-6-49. Of this total strength, 23 are christians. The feeder elementary schools in this area are shown in a separate statement (B). It will be seen that there are 26 elementary schools around Engandiyur of which 6 are Higher Elementary Schools. The total strength of VII standard only in these Higher Elementary Schools is 91. The total strength of standard V only in all these schools is 602. This supporting feeder schools' area with the strength shown, will be encouraging enough for maintaining 2 High Schools in the locality. Of the 26 elementary schools, only 7 are Mission schools. The neighbouring existing High Schools in the area are Chowaghat and Valapad High Schools about 6 miles distant, Paravatty Mission High School about 4 miles and the Mullasserri High School about $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles (Vide para 4(v) of the Memorial). Excepting the Valapad High School, the other schools are separated by the back-water canal. The feeder school area mentioned above will thus appear to be entirely for feeding the National High School, Engandiyur and the new St. Thomas secondary school. From the statement A, it will be seen that the strength in Form I has gone down, as represented in para 4(iii) of the memorial. The strength in higher forms has not gone down in such an extent as in form I. This must be due to the fact that admissions from

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Higher Elementary Schools are usually made in the II and III forms. In 1947-48, the National High School has newly admitted 17 in Form I, 21 in Form II and 48 in Form III, while in 1948-49, new admissions are 18 in Form I, 6 in form II and 50 in form III. Thus the admission in form III is really encouraging. It has also to be remembered that the S.N.Higher Elementary School, which is at a distance of 150 yards from the High School is managed by Sri P.P.Sankunni, who is also the President of the High School Committee. It will be quite natural for the pupils not to seek admission in form I when there are Higher Elementary Schools nearby where the fees are not so high as in the High School. There does not appear, therefore, that there is any valid fear for anticipating deterioration in strength of the National High School. The contention in para 4(iii) is not supported by facts as pointed above. As regards the deterioration of the financial resources of the people, this is the general tendency all over the country and the Province, and there need be no special grievance in this particular place only. It may be that in the first flush of enthusiasm, when the National Secondary School was opened, there was a rush of admission in Form I, but the existence of Higher Elementary School nearby under the management of the President of the High School Committee, besides other Higher Elementary Schools, should have been the particular reason for decrease in the number of admissions in forms I and II in later years.

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6. As regards the point mentioned in the memorial in para 4(vii), it is submitted that there is no cause for any suspicion in the matter; for when the opening of form IV was recommended by the District Educational Officer in his RC.177-H/49 dated 18-3-49 he was requested in this Office RC.284-B/49 dated 29-3-49 to find out whether the Correspondent of the National High School, Engandiyur has any objection and to justify the need for 2 high schools in the locality. Accordingly, the District Educational Officer appears to have written to the Correspondent on 7-4-49 and the Correspondent's reply dated 21-4-49 was submitted by the District Educational Officer on 29-4-49 and received in this office on 4-5-49. Only after considering the remarks of the District Educational Officer on the original application of the St. Thomas School and on the protest petition, the District Educational Officer's recommendation was supported and submitted to the Director in this office RC.284-B/49 dated 14-5-49.

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7. The strength in the St. Thomas Secondary School is given in statement C. It will be seen that the No. in form IV is only 18. All of them are pupils promoted from III form of the same school. The Correspondent definitely assured me that he was not admitting anyone with transfer certificate from the National High School as he was anxious not to give room for any quarrel. He represented that there was a feeling, that as a minority community, the Christians are not having a fair treatment and are in danger of being subjected to oppression. He informed me also that there was no ban about christian pupils reading in other schools, but usually as a natural course, most of the christian pupils come automatically to an institution managed by a christian mission. He stated that there would be approximately about 150 christian families in and around Engandiyur to a radius of 1 1/2 miles and there may be a total population of about 1500-2000. It will be seen also that in the list of Schools, there are 7 mission schools. It is likely that the mission schools may be the feeder schools for this Mission High School.

8. From enquiries, the Headmaster, National High School, has stated that 12 transfer certificates were issued to pupils reading in form IV (8 Hindus and 4 christians). None of the christians have yet joined the IV form of the St. Thomas High School. 12 transfer certificates have been issued by the National High School to students of III form (10 Hindus, 1 christian and 1 muslim). None of these also have joined the St. Thomas Mission School. If the contention of the National High School solely rests on the risk of christian pupils leaving the school, it is not clear why so many non-christians have also been issued transfer certificates.

9. On a personal investigation in the matter, I feel that the opening of higher forms in the St. Thomas Middle School is not likely to tend to reduce the strength of the National High School so as to make it uneconomic. The existence of 2 schools may probably be a greater inducement for better efficiency in equipment and instruction. It is true that the National Secondary School has not been able to provide adequate and satisfactory accommodation for its strength and the District Educational Officer's recommendation that another high school in the locality may be a great help to relieve congestion is quite reasonable. At present the National High School consists of one pucca building, which formerly housed the Higher Elementary School and in this 7 classes were being held and the 5 lower forms are in sheds.

10. In the circumstances described above, I submit that it does not appear necessary that the permission to open only one section in Form IV already granted to St. Thomas Mission School by the Director, need be suspended, in the interests concerned of the public and the school.

STATEMENT A:

National High School, Engandiyur:

Form	46-47 T.I.R.	47-48 T.I.R.	48-49 T.I.R.	On 10-6-49	No. of sections	On 10-6-49	
						Chris- tians	Mus- lims
VI	-	-	-	84	2	-	-
V	-	-	98	108	3	12	1
IV	-	142	114	80	2	11	6
III	149	94	100	110	3	3	1
II	40	54	40	31	1	1	3
I	44	27	22	21	1	-	3
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1947-48						1948-49.					
	V.	IV.	III.	II.	I.	V.	IV.	III.	II.	I.	
Old	-	19	3	10		98	32	16	14	4	
Newly admitted		32	48	21	17	-	24	50	6	18	
Promoted		109	27	30	0	-	58	34	20	0	
		<u>142</u>	<u>94</u>	<u>54</u>	<u>27</u>		<u>98</u>	<u>114</u>	<u>100</u>	<u>40</u>	
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STATEMENT 'B'

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Name of school.	Distance from Engandiyur High School.	Strength of V standard	Strength of VIII standard
ENGANDIYUR:			
1. S.N.H.E. Engandiyur	150 yds	48	26
2. Thirumangalam Ely. School	1 furlong	33	-
3. St. Thomas Ely. School	4 "	16	-
4. St. Marys Ely. School	4 "	19	-
5. St. Lourde Marys Ele. School	1 Mile	11	-
6. Thirunarayana -do-	1 mile	21	-
7. Govt. Fisheries H.E. School, Kottakadapuram	1½ mile	34	11
8. Board Elementary School, Vatampalli	2 "	10	-
		192	37
VATTANAPALLI.			
1. R.C.H.E. Vatanapalli	3 miles	51	27
2. Aided Mopla H.E. "	2½ miles	23	
3. Bodhanandavilasam Ely.	2 "	20	
4. Vatanapalli East "	2½ "	24	
5. Sri Vidya Poshini	2½ "	14	
6. Kadappuram	2½ "	22	
7. Vatanapalli South	3 "	24	
		178	27
KUNDAZHIYUR:			
1. R.C.H.E. School, Thoyakkavu	1½ mile	25	10 Thoyakavu is part of Kandazhiyur
2. Vanivilasam Ely, Padoor	2½ "	27	
3. Govt. Fisheries, Kandazhiyur	1½ mile	14	
4. Board Ely. School	2 "	9	
5. Board " Girls	2 "	15	
6. Aided Ely. Thirunellur	3½ "	20	
7. Aided Mopla, Kodamukku	1½ "	12	
8. Sankaranarayana Ely School	2½ "	21	
		143	10
IRINBRANALLUR			
1. R.C.H.E. Enamakal	2½ miles	35	17
2. R.C.Ely. School - Girls	2½ "	32	
3. Aided mopla, Irumbrana-llur	3½ "	22	
		89	17

STATEMENT 'C'

St. Thomas Middle School, Engandiyur:

Form IV opened on 1-6-49.

Only 18 on rolls - all 18 promoted from III form of the same school (only 4 applications pending admission of which only 1 is a student failed in IV form of National High School.)

	1946-47:	47-48:	48-49:	On 10-6-1949:
IV form	-	-	-	18 (13 Hindus & 5 Christians)
III form	41	36	25	29 (15 Hindus 1 Muslim and 13 Christians)
II form	39	32	25	26 (9 Hindus 17 Christians)
I form	34	37	26	2 (Only 2 of last year failed) No new admissions have yet been made in I form. 13 applications. (8 Hindus and 5 christians) and about 30 to 40 expected from the Mission Elementary Schools.

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Thiruvananthapuram
for Director of Public Instruction.

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Memorial from the President, National High School Committee, Engandiyur d/29.5.49

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From the D.P.G. Rec. No. 508 B3/49 d/21.6.1949

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Memo No 42331 B, 49-2 Edm. dated .28.6.49

The President, National High School Committee, Engandiyur is informed that the Govt cannot at this stage interfere with the orders already passed by the D.P.G in the matter.

To
The President, National High School Committee, Engandiyur.
The D.P.G.

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Form I

Memorial from the American people to the
Committee on the Judiciary of the U.S. House of Representatives

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Dear ~~Sri~~ Reddi,

Sub:- Schools - Secondary - Aided - St. Thomas
Middle School, Engandiyur, Malabar Dt - Opening
of Form IV

Ref:- Your Roc. No. 508 B3/49 d/ 21.6.1949

In continuation of Gest. Memo No.

42331 B, / 49-2 Edn dated 28.6.49, I am ~~theoried~~ to ^{inform you} ~~state~~ that the permission accorded to the management of the St. Thomas Middle School, Engandiyur for the opening of Form IV should be confined to the current school year only and that it should not be extended. I am also to request you to obtain and forward ^{for the perusal of Govt} all the connected papers referred

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to ~~me~~ by the Divisional Inspector of Schools, in
Coimbatore, in para 6 of his letter ~~to~~ Re. No. 284 B/49 'X' on p 34 of.
d/11-6-49 addressed to you ~~for perusal~~

Yours sincerely,

Sri B.S. Reddi M.A (oxon)

D.O.G.

20/7/49

D.O.No.508 D3/49.

Office of the Director of
Public Instruction, Madras,
Dated 16th July 1949.



My Mr. Prabhu,
Sub: Schools - Secondary - Aided - St. Thomas
Middle School, Engandiyur - Opening
of Form IV.

Ref: Your D.O.No.42331-B1-49-3 Edn., dated
28-6-1949. M 39.40 ante

I enclose herewith copies of all the
connected papers referred to in para 6 of the Divi-
sional Inspector's letter Re.No.284 B/49 dated 11-6-49. M 32.35 ante

Yours sincerely,

20.7.49

To

Esq
J.M.Lobo Prabhu, I.C.S.,
Secretary to Government,
Education and Public Health Department,
Madras.

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Copy of Endorsement Rc.No.177 H/49 dated 18th March 1949
from the District Educational Officer, South Malabar to the Divisional
Inspector of Schools, Coimbatore.

Sub: Recognition - Aided Secondary Schools - Opening of
Form IV in St. Thomas Middle School, Engandiyur.
Ref: Letter No.203/49 dated 4-3-1949 of the Correspondent,
St. Thomas Middle School, Engandiyur.

Submitted to the Divisional Inspector of Schools,
Coimbatore Division.

2. The Middle School was opened in June 1946 and enjoys
temporary recognition for Forms I to III till the end of the school
year 1949-50 (Vide Director's Proceedings Dis.No.2537/48 dt.22-5-1948)

3. The management applied for the opening of the higher forms
in the school previously, but permission was refused in Progs. Dis.
No.2811/47 dated 5-6-1947 and Dis.No.2638/48 dated 31-5-1948. The
Director's orders refusing permission to open higher forms in this
school were based on the existence of the National High School,
Engandiyur in the locality, which will be becoming a complete High
School by the opening of Form VI next year. But in my
opinion the opening of Form IV in the St. Thomas Middle School, will
not be prejudicial to the National High School, Engandiyur for the
following reasons:

1) The National High School will be a complete High School
by the opening of Form VI in June 1949.

2) There are already 2 sections in Form V and 3 sections in
Form IV and 3 sections in the III Form in this School with a
strength of 98, 114 and 100 pupils, respectively in these Forms.

3) The accommodation provided in the National High School
is neither suitable nor adequate. Except for a permanent building
with 4 class rooms (with no proper partitions) the rest of the building
are all temporary sheds unsuitable especially during the monsoons. The
are as yet no special rooms for Laboratory, Teachers' room, Girls'
retiring room, Headmaster's room etc., and the class rooms are overcrowded.
The construction of a permanent pucca building on approved plans
suggested to the management in 1947 is being postponed year after
year presumably for want of funds.

4) The High School classes alone in the National High School
will have a probable strength of about 300 next year and the consequent
congestion will be considerably relieved if permission to open
another High School in the locality is granted.

4. The management of the St. Thomas Middle School
is under the Roman Catholic Mission which is very wealthy
and is running many institutions. It is therefore capable of
satisfying all the departmental conditions. Besides a Middle
School is neither fish nor flesh, and when a management is
enthusiastic and comes forward to develop it into a High
school we need not stand in the way, especially when there is
definite scope for more than one High School in a particular
locality. And Schools are most certain to do better out of
emulation. Under the circumstances, I recommend that the
request of the management to open form IV in their School in
June 1949 may be favourably considered. The particulars in
the prescribed statement are also enclosed.

Copy of Proceedings of the Divisional Inspector of Schools,
Coimbatore Division Rc.No.284 B/49 dated 29-3-1949 to the District
Educational Officer, South Malabar.

Sup: Recognition - Opening of Form IV in St. Thomas Middle School,
Engandiyur.
Redd: From the Dt.Edl.Officer, South Malabar Rc.117 H/49 dt.12-3-49

The District Edl.Officer is requested to obtain and submit the
opinion of the Correspondent, National High School, Engandiyur on the
proposal. If he has already received any objection from the Correspondent
it may be submitted with his remarks.

2. The need for 2 high schools in the locality has to be brought
fully by the District Educational Officer with facts and figures.
3. This reference may be treated as urgent.

Copy of letter No. 918/49 from the Correspondent, National High School, Engandiyur to the District Educational Officer, South Malabar dated 7-4-49.

I have the honor to submit the following:
(1) The St. Thomas Middle School is within half a mile from the National High School. Sanction to open Form IV in the Middle School as proposed will surely lead to unnecessary rivalry between the two institutions, especially when there is scope only for one High School in the locality.
(2) The Inspector of Schools, Coimbatore, was convinced that there is scope only for one High School. He visited the two middle schools before relating the National Middle School into a High School and that of the two schools, the National Middle School was by all means fitted to be raised into a High School. As a result St. Thomas Middle School was retained as such.
(3) I strongly object to the opening of Form IV in the St. Thomas Middle School as it will certainly affect my High School adversely and lead to unhealthy rivalry among the people of the place.

Copy of the letter No. 177/49 dated 20-3-49 from the District Educational Officer, Coimbatore to the District Educational Officer, South Malabar dated 12-3-49. The facts and figures stated in para 2 of your letter dated 12-3-49, were already furnished in para (2) of my above letter.

Copy of No. 117/49 dated 7-4-49 from the District Educational Officer, South Malabar to the Correspondent, National High School, Engandiyur. Subject: Opening of Form IV - St. Thomas Middle School, Engandiyur.
There is a proposal to open Form IV in the St. Thomas Middle School. I am not sure whether you have any objection to this proposal.

Copy of No. 177/49 dated 20-3-49 from the District Educational Officer, Coimbatore to the District Educational Officer, South Malabar dated 12-3-49. The facts and figures stated in para 2 of your letter dated 12-3-49, were already furnished in para (2) of my above letter.

Submitted to the Director of Public Instruction, Madras. The National High School, Engandiyur, is a Government school. It is situated within half a mile from the St. Thomas Middle School. The National High School is sanctioned to open Form IV in the year 1950. The St. Thomas Middle School is a private school. It is situated within half a mile from the National High School. The St. Thomas Middle School is sanctioned to open Form IV in the year 1950.

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Schools - Secondary - Aided - St. Thomas Middle School, Engandiyur - Opening of Form IV.

From the D.P.G. Rec. No. 508-D3/49 d/21-6-49
From the D.P.G. R.O. No. 508 D3/49 d/16-7-49.

Memo No 42331B, 1/49-4 Edn. d/3-8-49.

The D.P.G. is requested to ascertain and report whether any students have taken transfer certificates from the National High School, Engandiyur and joined the St. Thomas Middle School and if so to furnish the number of such students.

Rec.No.508 D3-49

Office of the
Director of Public Instruction
Madras, dated, 21st Sep. 1949.



The Director of Public Instruction
Madras.

The Secretary to Government
Education and Public Health Department
Fort St. George, Madras.

Sir,

Sub:- Schools - Secondary - Aided - St. Thomas Middle
School, Engandiyur - opening of Form IV.

Ref:- Government Memorandum No.42,331.B.*.49.4.Edn.,
dated 3-8-1949. p44 ante

The District Educational Officer, (S) Malabar reports
as follows:-

"According to the report of the Headmaster, St. Thomas'
Secondary School,, Engandiyur, 9 pupils from the National
High School, Engandiyur have joined the former school, seven
in Form IV and 2 in Form III".

Yours faithfully

[Signature]
For Director of Public Instruction.

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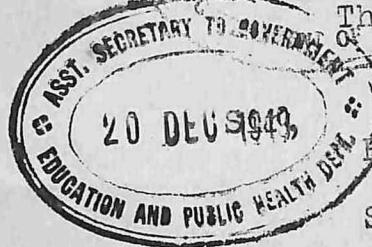
From

P.P. Sankunny,
President,
National High School Committee,
Engandiyur.

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To

The Hon'ble Minister for Education,
Madras.



Ref: Memorandum No. 42331-B1/49-2 Education dated 28th
June, 1949.

Sub: Continuance of form IV and opening of Form V, St. Thomas High School, - Protest against.

In continuation of my humble memorial dated 29-5-'49, I most respectfully place before your honour for gracious consideration and favourable disposal the following facts:-

(1) Engandiyur is a small out-of-the-way village where there is scope for one High School only. Sri. V.K. Ranganathan, the Divisional Inspector of Schools, Coimbatore was convinced of this from his personal enquiry in the locality. From his surprise visit to the two middle schools and his comparative study of the conditions of both, he realised the superior claim of the National Middle School into a High School, retaining the St. Thomas Middle School as such.

(2) From the above, it naturally follows that the running of two high schools in such close proximity in a locality where there is need and scope for only one High School is a superfluity leading to unhealthy rivalry and communal animosity, not to speak of the wanton waste of public funds it entails.

(3) The plain truth that there is no need or scope for two High Schools at Engandiyur is borne out by the fact that newly opened Forth Form of the St. Thomas Middle School is only 34 strong, the majority of whom are pupils enticed away from the national High School by fee concession and pupils imported as boarders from Travancore.

Under the circumstances, I most humbly request your honour to arrange for an impartial enquiry into the matter and set matters right by ordering the newly opened forth form of the St. Thomas Middle School to be closed and by refusing to give sanction for the opening of Form V, for which trial has been set afoot. The copy of my memorial dated 29-5-'49 and the memorandum No. 42331-B1/49-2 Education dated the 28th June 1949 from the Secretary to Government are herewith submitted. Awaiting your favourable orders.

Engandiyur, 15-12-1949.

Yours faithfully,

President,
National High School Committee.

Copy submitted to: Dr. P.G. Nair, M.L.A. Guruvayur.
The President, The Kerala Congress Committee.
The President, The Malabar District Congress Committee, Puthiyara.
The President, The Ponani Taluk Congress Committee, Ponani.
The Director of Public Instruction, Madras.

Ponani Taluk Congress Committee

PRESIDENT: T. T. GOPALA KURUP.
SECRETARY: M. V. ABOOBACKER.
TREASURER: C. G. NAIR.

Guruvayur

Date 16-12-1949.

No.

Resolution passed at the working Committee meeting of the Ponani Taluk Congress Committee held on 6-6-1949 at its office under the President ship of Sri. C.G.Nair.

This meeting is strongly of opinion that the Educational Department of the Government of Madras ought, in the interests of justice, to reconsider its order, which gives room to unnecessary communal discord and waste of Public money, giving permission to open another High School in the same Amsom within three furlongs of the existing High School up to V Form conducted under the auspices of a registered Society formed for the purpose and known as the National High School Engandiyur.

(True Copy)

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SECRETARY,
Ponani Taluk Congress Committee,
Guruvayur.

PONNANI TALUK CONGRESS COMMITTEE,
OFFICE, GURUVAYUR.

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Working Committee Member P.T.C.C.

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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.
Education and Public Health Department
Memorandum No. 42331-B1/49-2 Education, Dated the 28th June 1949.

Schools- Secondary- Aided- St. Thomas Middle School, Engandiyur,
Malabar District- Opening of Form IV- Interference declined.

Ref: Memorial from the President, National High School- Committee,
Engandiyur dated 29-5-'49.
From the Director of Public Instruction, Rec.No.508 D3/49,
dated 21-6-1949-

The President, National High School Committee,
Engandiyur is informed that the Government cannot at this stage
interfere with the orders already passed by the Director of
Public Instruction in the matter.

J.M.LOBO PRAEHU,
Secretary to Government.

To The President, National High School Committee, Engandiyur,
(Malabar District)
The Director of Public Instruction.

(FORWARDED - BY ORDER)

Sd.

SUPERINTENDENT.

To
The Hon'ble Minister for Education,
M a d r a s.

Hon'ble Sir,

The humble memorial of P.P.Sankunny, President, National High School Committee, Engandiyur, S.Malabar most respectfully showeth.

With profound respect the memorialist begs leave to approach your honour and place his case before your honour for most gracious consideration and favourable orders.

1. The Memorialist is the President of a registered association formed for the express and only purpose of running a High School in the village of Engandiyur in the South Malabar District when there was no such High School in the locality. All sections of the people have membership in the association.

2. When the National High School Committee formed for the above purpose applied for permission to open a Middle School in 1946, the local Christians who form a negligibly small community in the locality (about 5% of the population) applied to get their St. Thomas Higher Elementary School Converted into a Middle School. Both the requests were granted and the National Middle School and the St. Thomas Middle School came into existence in 1946. The two middle Schools thereafter applied for permission to open IV Form. The Educational Authorities who visited the place found scope for only one High School in the village. Sri. V.R.Ranganathan who was then the Divisional Inspector of Schools, Coimbatore, paid a surprise visit to both the schools in 1946, examined all aspects in details and found that the National Middle School was by all means more fitted to be raised to a High School. A reference to the previous papers will bear testimony to these facts. The National High School which opened IV Form in 1947 shall be completing VI Form this year.

3. While the National High School was thus raised to a High School, St. Thomas Middle School was allowed to continue as a Middle School. They renewed their request to open IV Form last year, but the request was turned down by the authorities. Now I understand that the Director of Public Instruction has issued orders permitting the St. Thomas Middle School, Engandiyur, to open IV Form ~~xxxxxxx~~ in this academic year.

4. My humble submission is that the St. Thomas Middle School should not be permitted to open IV Form for the following reasons :-

(1) The St. Thomas Middle School is within half a mile from the National High School and both lie on the same road. No where in the villages of Malabar can one find High Schools at such close proximity.

(ii) Engandiyur is a small village which has not even been constituted into a village Panchayat. The needs of the village can very well be served by the existing National High School.

(iii) The financial resources of the people are gradually deteriorating for various reasons and the number of students seeking admission in High School is steadily

To
The Hon'ble Minister for Education,
Madras.

Hon'ble Sir,

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Engandiyur,
12-'49.

President,
National High School Committee.

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The Hon'ble Minister, Sri. K. Madhava Menon,
Minister for Law, Madras.

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I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Honourable Minister,
Your most obedient servant..

H. George V. K. S.
Correspondent.

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Schools - Secondary - Aided - St. Thomas Middle School,
Engandiyur - Opening of Form IV

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Ref:- Memo No. 42331 B, /49-2 Edn d/ 28-6-49
D.O. No. 42331 B, /49-3 Edn d/ 28-6-49.

From the President, National High School Committee,
Engandiyur d/ 15-12-49.

From the Correspondent, St. Thomas High School, Engandiyur,
G.C. No. 102 d/ 20-12-49.

Memo No. 99390 B, /49-1 Edn dated 23-12-49.

A copy of the petitions from the President, National
High School Committee, Engandiyur and the Correspondent,
St. Thomas High School, Engandiyur cited above is referred
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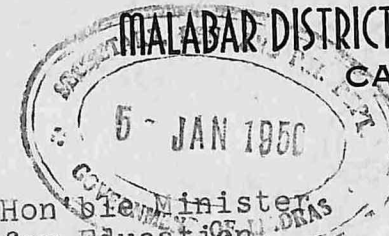
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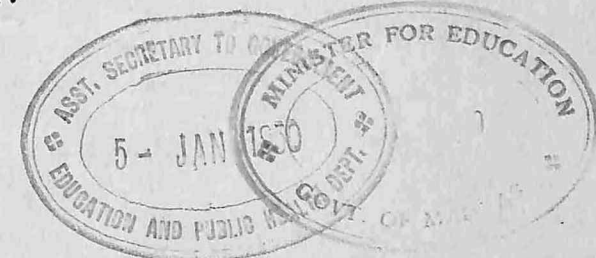
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The Hon'ble Minister
for Education,
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Ref 1353/Dec/49

Date 2nd January, 50.

My Dear Sri. Madhava Menon,

I am enclosing herewith a petition from the President
National High School Committee, Engandiyur for your favourable
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Yours sincerely,

(V. Sankaranarayana Menon)

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The Director's reply to the memo at p 8 ante may be
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From P.P.Sankunny,
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To The Hon'ble Minister for Education,
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Sub: Continuance of form IV and opening of Form V, St.
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1949 from the Secretary to Government are herewith submitted.
The copy of the resolution passed by the Ponani District Congress Working
Committee is also submitted.

Awaiting your favourable orders.

Engandiyur, I
15-12-1949. I

Yours faithfully,

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Copy submitted to: Dr. P.G.Nair, M.L.A. Guruvayur.
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From
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The President, The Ponnani Taluk Congress Committee, Ponnani.
The Director of Public Instruction, Madras.

16-12-1949.

Resolution passed at the working Committee meeting of the Ponnani Taluk Congress Committee held on 6-6-1949 at its office under the Presidentship of Sri. C.G. Nair.

This meeting is strongly of opinion that the Educational Department of the Government of Madras ought, in the interests of justice, to reconsider its order, which gives room to unnecessary communal discord and waste of Public money, giving permission to open another High School in the same Amson within three furlongs of the existing High School up to V Form conducted under the auspices of a registered Society formed for the purpose and known as the National High School, Kangandiyur.

(True Copy)

(Sd)

SECRETARY,
Ponnani Taluk Congress Committee,
Guruvayur.

PONNANI TALUK CONGRESS COMMITTEE
OFFICE, GURUVAYUR.

Certify to be correct.
B. K. Raman
Working Committee Member
P.T.C.C.

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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.
Education and Public Health Department
Memorandum No. 42331-B1/49-2 Education, Dated the 28th June 1949.

Schools- Secondary- Aided- St. Thomas Middle School, Engandiyur,
Malabar District- Opening of Form IV- Interference declined.

Ref: Memorial from the President, National High School- Committee,
Engandiyur dated 29-5-'49.
From the Director of Public Instruction, Roc.No.508 D3/49,
dated 21-6-1949-

The President, National High School Committee,
Engandiyur is informed that the Government cannot at this stage
interfere with the orders already passed by the Director of
Public Instruction in the matter.

J.M.LOBO PRABHU,
Secretary to Government.

To The President, National High School Committee, Engandiyur,
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The Director of Public Instruction.

(FORWARDED - BY ORDER)

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SUPERINTENDENT.

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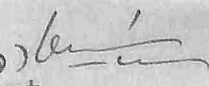
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O. C. No. 102

Dated 20-12-1949.



The Correspondent,
St. Thomas High School,
Engandiyur.
(Via Trichur).

The Hon'ble Minister for Education,
Madras.

Mr. L.C. Pais, B.A., B.L., M.L.A.,
Madras.

Through

Sir,

Sub : St. Thomas High School, Engandiyur - running
of Form IV and the opening of Form V.

Ref : i) Proceedings No. 508-DS/49 dated 24-5-49
of Director of Public Instructions, Madras.

ii) Proceedings of the Divisional Inspector of
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1-11-1949.

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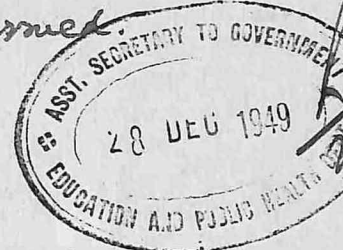
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In view of the reasons mentioned above, I submit that the Government may be pleased to allow the school to develop into a full High School, allowing it to continue form IV in the ensuing year and opening form V. As arrangements have to be made early favourable orders are requested.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Honourable Minister,
Your most obedient servant.,

Correspondent.

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E.P.H. (B.)

The matter has already been referred to the D.P.G
for a report in Memo No. 99390 B, / 49-1 Edu d / 23-12-49. Under issue.
His report may be awaited till 23-1-50.

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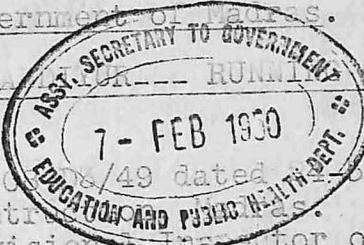
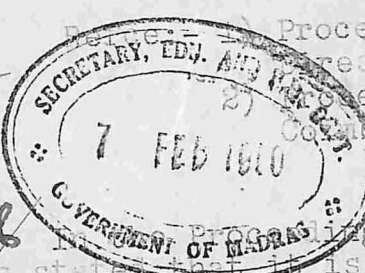
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Humble Memorial submitted by the deputationists to the Hon'ble Minister

for Education, Government of Madras.

ST. THOMAS' HIGH SCHOOL, ENGANDIYUR, MADRAS.
FOR OPENING OF FORM IV.



Proceedings R.C. No. 50 of 1949 dated 1-6-1949, of
the Director of Public Instruction, Madras.
Proceedings of the Divisional Inspector of Schools,
Madras, R.O.C. No. 284-B/49 dated 1-11-1949.

In the Proceedings No. (2) cited above, the Divisional Inspector
has stated that it is the intention of the Government that the permission
granted to the St. Thomas' Middle School, Engandiyur, to open Form IV
should not be extended beyond the school year 1949-50. Form IV has
already been started from 1-6-1949. It is not therefore clear what
exactly is meant by this order. If it is the intention of the Govern-
ment that Form IV is not to be continued after the end of 1949-50 as
stated in the subject of the Proceedings No. 2 above, then it is a great
hardship and loss to the Management as well as to the guardians of the
pupils.

In this connection we submit the following for the special conside-
ration of the Government:-

In the year 1945, there were two higher elementary schools in the
locality of which one was St. Thomas' Higher Elementary School, which
had been running from the year 1877; and the other Sri. Narayana Higher
Elementary school which was started only in the year 1925. In May 1945,
the Management of St. Thomas' Higher Elementary School applied for the
conversion of the school into a Secondary school, but the application
being belated, the Management was instructed to apply again sufficiently
early in 1946. Accordingly a fresh application was submitted by the
Management of St. Thomas' Higher Elementary School in February 1946. The
same year the Management of the Sri. Narayana Higher Elementary School
had also applied for conversion of his school into a Secondary School.

After due enquiry and personal visits of the Departmental Authorities
sanction was accorded by the Government to convert both the Higher Ele-
mentary schools of the locality into Middle Schools. The St. Thomas'
Higher Elementary School was thus converted into a Middle School in an-
ticipation of developing it into a full-fledged High School; whereas
the Sri. Narayana Higher Elementary School was retained as Higher Elemen-
tary School against the orders of the Government and a second school
named National Middle school was started in addition.

When the question of opening Form IV came, Government accorded per-
mission to the National Middle school and the petition of the Management
of St. Thomas' Middle School was rejected in 1947-48. It was after such
long correspondence and after an appraisal of the full facts of the
schools and conditions of the locality that Government ultimately gave
permission to open Form IV to the St. Thomas' Middle School in the year
1949-50.

It therefore looks strange now that the Management has been informed
that the permission granted to open Form IV, which has already been opened
on 1st June 1949, should not be extended beyond the school year 1949-50.
The Management has fulfilled and offered to fulfil all the conditions
attached to the order conveying permission to open Form IV. It has been
spent substantial amounts for extension of the buildings and for securing
furniture, equipment, etc. There is no difficulty about these.

As regarding strength the new school is allowed to have only one
section, Form IV. It has full strength for the section. In fact, if
it is allowed two sections, it expects to have ample strength for even
two sections without affecting the strength of the other High School.

The existence of St. Thomas' High School will in no way affect the strength or stability of the other school which has at least two sections in all the forms. The locality has a population of over 15,000. In addition, a good number of pupils for high school can be expected from the neighbouring villages.

The other school is designated as National High School and much capital is sought to be made out of it. As a matter of fact, the St. Thomas' High School has students from all the communities including Thiyyas, for whose sake the other school is supposed to exist. Some propaganda from interested quarters is a foot that this institution is exclusively intended for Christians. It is submitted that never in the history of any educational institution conducted by Christians has there been one exclusively for this community.

In view of the reasons mentioned above, we submit that the Government may be pleased to allow the school to develop into a full High School, allowing it to continue Form IV in the ensuing year and opening Form V. As arrangements have to be made early favourable orders are requested. For which act the deputationists shall ever be grateful.

Gumbayur }
31. 1. 1950 }

- 1 Rev. Fr. George Thattil
Vicar, R.C. Church, Engandiyur. *Fr. George Thattil*
- 2 Janab R.K. Mohammad Sahib. *R.K. Mohammad*
- 3 Mangott Madhava Menon. *Mr. Madhava Menon*
- 4 U. Chappo Paricker *U. Chappo Paricker*
- 5 C.D. Chockunnap *C.D. Chockunnap*
- 6 V. Thiruvalluvar *V. Thiruvalluvar*
- 7 *...*
- 8 N.K. Subramania Dyer. *N.K. Subramania Dyer*
- 9 *...*

E&P.H.(G)

With reference to the minutes on p4 ante, attention is invited to the Director's interim reply at p2 ante. His final remarks are awaited. HMC (EC) may see. p3 ante remarks may be awaited till 3-3-50 as already indicated.



D.O.I was called for the personal inspection report
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EDUCATION DEPARTMENT.

Roc. 508 D3/49.

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Office of the Director of Public
Instruction, Madras dated
20-2-1950.

From The Director of Public Instruction,
Madras.

To The Secretary to Government,
Edn. and Public Health Dept.,
Madras.



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Sir,

Subject:-- Schools--Secondary--Aided--Opening of Form IV and Form V--
St. Thomas Secondary School, Engandiyur--Report.

R e f:-- Government Memorandum No. 99390 B1/49-1 Education dated 23-12-1949. p8 ante

There is no case for a reconsideration of the Government decision contained in their D.O. No. 42,331 B1/49-3 Education dated 28-6-49. The request of the management of the St. Thomas Secondary School, Engandiyur may as such, be rejected.

Y ours faithfully,

J. O. Panchanabhi

For Director of Public Instruction.

SP 20.2.

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Schools. Secondary. Aided - St Thomas Secondary School Engandiyur. Continuance of Form IV + opening of Form V in 1950-51. Recognition

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From the DP 3 Roc no 508 DS/49 d 20.2.50

Memo No. 99390 B, /49-2 Edn dated 28.2.50.

Dr 28/2/50

The DP 3 is requested to report whether the strength of the higher forms of the National High School, Engandiyur, has been reduced on account of the opening of Form IV in the St Thomas Secondary School, in the current year and how the strength of the former in the current year compares with the strength in the previous year, and if the school can accommodate all the boys now in the St Thomas School of its designation is withdrawn 1/2

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The DP 3.

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Schools. Secondary - Aided - St. Thomas Secondary School, Engandiyur - Continuance of Form IV and opening of Form V in 1950-51 - Recognition.

Memo No 99390 B/49-3 Edn d/29.5.50.

The D.P.G. is requested to expedite his reply to Memo No. 99390 B/49-2 Edn d/28.2.50.

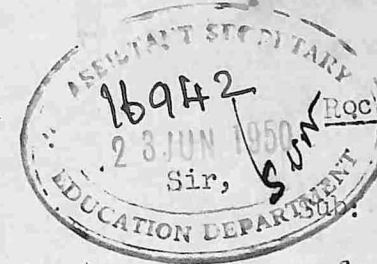
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Education Department.

From
The Director of Public Instruction,
MADRAS.

To
The Secretary to Government,
Education Department,
MADRAS.



Req. No. 508 D3/49 dated 20-6-1950.

Recognition Secondary Schools--Aided St. Thomas Secondary
School Engandiyur.
Ref: Government Memo No. 99 390 B.1./49-2 Education dated
28-2-1950 and 29-5-50.

There has been a decline in the strength of the National
High School, Engandiyur by 29 pupils in 1949-50 on account of the
opening of Form IV in the St. Thomas Secondary school Engandiyur.
The accommodation provided in the National High school would permit
of taking in the students of higher forms alone of the St. Thomas
Secondary school, Engandiyur. The other particulars called for will
be furnished on receipt from the Divisional Inspector.

2/- The management of the St. Thomas Secondary school Engandiyur
have been permitted to open Form V in the school from June 1950 in
accordance with the desire expressed by the Honourable Minister
Education.

Yours faithfully,

J. O. Lawrence
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FOR DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION.

C.B. 21/6

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No information
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Schools - Secondary - Aided. St. Thomas Secondary School. Engandiyur - Continuance of Form and Opening of Form V in 1950-51 - Recognition

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1240 From the DP 9 Rec. no 508 23/49 & 20.6.50

Dr
3/7/50

Memorandum No. 99390 B/49-4 Edm d/5-7-50

The DP 9 is informed that the management of the St. Thomas Secondary School Engandiyur should be permitted to have only one section in Forms IV + V

To the DP 9 21/7/50 1/8/50 3.7.50

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C. No. 42331 B/49.

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E & P. H. (B.)
Schools - Secondary - Aided - St. Thomas Middle
School, Engandiyur, ^{Malabar St.} Opening of Form IV

Copy at H/15-21 of Memorial from the President, National High School
Committee, Engandiyur d/29.5.49.
From the D.P.G. Rec. No. 508 B3/49 d/21.6.1949.

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para 9 on p 35 of

para 3 on p 33 of

para 5 on p 33 of

para 10 on p 35 of

On a representation from the President of the National High School Committee, Engandiyur, against the orders of the D.P.G. permitting the management of the St. Thomas Middle School, Engandiyur, to open Form IV ^{with one section} in the latter school, the matter was referred to the Director and he was requested to depute the Divisional Inspector, Coimbatore, ^{to} ~~for~~ conducting a personal enquiry and ^{submit} ~~submitting~~ a detailed report in the matter. The Director was also requested to state whether pending a final decision in the matter, the permission granted ^{for} to the opening of Form IV in the St Thomas Middle School may be suspended without detriment to the interest of the public. + of the school

2.) The Director has now forwarded the report from the Divisional Inspector. The latter is of the opinion that the opening of Form IV in the St. Thomas middle school is not likely to tend to reduce the strength of the National High School ^{so as to make it uneconomical} particularly as the permission is restricted to the opening of ^{only} one section in Form IV of the Middle School. The Divl. Inspector considers that there are sufficient feeder elementary and higher elementary schools in that area to ensure sufficient strength for both the secondary schools. He has therefore submitted that there is no ground for withdrawing the permission already accorded to the St. Thomas Middle School

for the opening of Form IV ^{with one section.} The Director has agreed entirely with the views of the Divl. Inspr, and has recommended that the permission already granted should not be cancelled in public & interest. In the circumstances ~~it~~ stated, it is for consideration whether the President, National High School Committee, Engandipur, may be informed that Govt see no reason to ~~reverse~~ ^{interfere with the} orders already passed by the D.P.G. in the matter.

3) The file may be circulated to H.M. (E+L) for order with reference to his ^{minutes} ~~order~~ on p1 of.

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12.7 (E+L)



X above Tell him that the Govt cannot interfere at this stage. In D.P.G. maybe told to grant recognition for the IV form to the rival school should be confined to this year alone & must expire with this school year. It should not be extended without govt permission. I want to see the correspondence referred to at X (Para 6) on page 34.



With reference to the orders of H.M. (Edn & Law) a draft memo is submitted below for approval. - It is submitted in this connection that the D.P.G. is the final authority under rule 12 of the Madras Educational Rules to grant recognition to schools and it may not be appropriate to inform the D.P.G. that the grant of recognition should not be extended without govt permission. Perhaps portion marked X in H.M.'s minutes maybe cancelled by a D.O. - A draft D.O. is also sent for approval.

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Mr 42-43 of
X on p34 of

X on p2 ante



[Issued as Memo No 4233/B, 49-2 Edn. d/28.6.49]
[Issued as Memo No 4233/B, 49-3 Edn. d/28.6.49]

C.No. 56427 from the D.P.G. D.O.No. 508.D3/49 d/16.7.49.

The Director has furnished copies of all the connected papers referred to in para 6 of the letter from the Divl. Inspector at pp 32-35 of. The correspondence may be circulated to H.M. (E&L) for perusal with reference to his minutes at p2 ante.

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The report of the DEO at page 42, (f) which is supported by the Divisional Inspector is fairly conclusive that two schools are just fed by the number of students available.

12.7 (E+L) 27/7

Have any students taken T.C. from N.H.S. & joined the A.T.H. School & if so how many.

With reference to the minutes of H.M. (E&L) attention is solicited to para 8 of the report from the Divisional Inspector at p34 of. It is likely that some of the students who had already taken transfer certificates from the National High School, ~~and~~ might have joined the other High School. This may be ascertained from the D.P.G. The draft memo below is for approval.

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[Issued as Memo No. 42331 B, 49-4 Edn d/3-8-49]
No. 73591 from the D.P.G. Rec. No. 508 B/49 d/21-9-49.

The D.P.G. has reported that nine students from the National High School, Engandiyur have joined the St. Thomas Secondary school. The Director's report may be circulated to H.M. (E & L) for perusal with reference to his minutes on p 3 ante. In view of the fact that the number of students that has left the National High School to join the St. Thomas Secondary school, Engandiyur, is small, it is for consideration whether the recognition accorded to the latter school should be strictly confined to the current school year as already ordered.

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12.7 (E & L)

In view of the orders in circulation that the recognition accorded to the St. Thomas Secondary School, Engandiyur for the opening of Form IV should be strictly confined to the current school year, no further action is called for in the matter. (The D.P.G. has been already informed to confine the recognition to this year alone). The draft order below is for approval.
The before now the D.P.G. Rec. No. 508 B/49 d/21-9-49 — p 45 of

G.O. No.
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Edn. dated

5-10-49

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Abstract:

Schools - Secondary - Aided
St. Thomas Middle School,
Engandiyur - Opening of
Form IV - Papers recorded.

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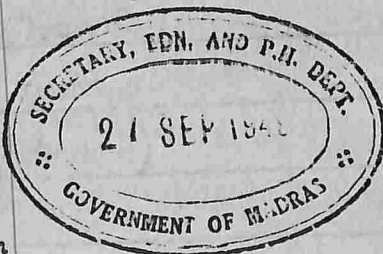
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Schools - Secondary - Aided - St. Thomas Middle School,
Engandiyur - Opening of Form IV

Ref.: Memo No. 42331 B, 49-2 Edn dated 28-6-49.
D.O. No. 42331 B, 49-3 Edn dated 28-6-49.

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From the President, National High School committee,
Engandiyur d/15-12-49.
From the Correspondent, St. Thomas High School, Engandiyur
O.C. No. 102 d/20-12-49.

On a representation from the management of the National High School, Engandiyur, against the orders of the D.P.G. permitting the opening of Form IV in the St. Thomas Middle School, Engandiyur, during the current year, the matter was considered carefully in consultation with the D.P.G. and orders were issued that the Govt. could not interfere in the matter at that stage. The D.P.G. was however informed demure officially that recognition accorded to the St. Thomas Secondary School, Engandiyur should be strictly confined to the current school year and that it should not be extended. (any further without Govt. permission)

2. The President of the National High School committee has now represented that there is no scope for two high schools in that locality and that therefore the St. Thomas Secondary School should not be permitted to continue Form IV or to open Form V in the next year. or to continue Form IV either. The correspondent of the St. Thomas Secondary School, Engandiyur has also represented but in that there is scope for two high schools in the town & that the representation being for the continuance of the permission should be given for the continuance of either from High School of the School. With reference to the minutes of H.M. (E & L) a draft memo is submitted below for approval. After issue, the file may be circulated to H.M. (E & L) for perusal of the previous papers — vide his minutes on p 6 of It would seem sufficient to circulate his after getting the D.P.G.'s report.

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[Issued as Memo No. 99390 B, 49-1 Edn d/23-12-49]

C.No. 13880 From the D.P.G. Roc. 508 D3/49 d/ 20.2.50.

Please see the report from the D.P.G. at p 21 of. He has stated that there is no case for a reconsideration of the existing orders, ^{namely} that the permission accorded to the management of the St. Thomas Middle School, Engandiyur for opening of Form IV should be strictly confined to the current school year only and that it should not be extended. The Director recommends that the request of the management of the St. Thomas Middle School Engandiyur, that permission should be accorded for the continuance of Form IV and for the opening of Form V from the next school year, may be rejected. It is for consideration whether the Director's recommendation may be accepted. The file may be circulated to H.M. (E&L) for orders with reference to his minutes at pages 1, 6, and 19 of ^{and to} H.M. (Food and Fisheries) for perusal with ref. to his minutes on p 15 of.

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H.M. (E&L)

(F&D)

In view of the fact that the school has already been recognised, for reasons good or bad, we should have strong grounds for withdrawing recognition. One such ground will be that the other school is affected in respect of its attendance and strength. The correspondent of St Thomas School reports that the National School has already two sections in each form. The correspondent of the National School asserts that their students have been enticed. Ask the D.P.G. of the ~~other~~ strength of the National School has been reduced by the new school, and has become uneconomical.

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This power can be exercised by the D.P.G. under rule 12 of the Madras Educational Rules.

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with reference to Secretary's note on page 2 ante, attention is solicited to the D.P.G. letter on page 45 of of 99. No 3067 Edn dated 5.10.49 wherein it is reported that only nine students from the National High School Engandiyur joined the St Thomas Secondary School in the current year. and it was on this report that H.M. (E&L) minutes that recognition accorded to the St Thomas Secondary School may be strictly confined to the current school year. In the circumstances it is for consideration whether the information at X should be called for. If so, the draft memo below is for approval.

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questions also to be cleared
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[Issued as Memo No 99390 B/49-2 Edn d/ 28-2-50]

The D.P.G. has not yet replied to the memo at p 22 of. He may be reminded. The draft reminder below is for approval.

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Issued as Memo No. 99390 B/49-3 Edn d/ 28-2-50
C.No. 16942. From the D.P.G. Roc. No. 508 D3/49 d/ 20.6.50

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H 39-40 of (V)

The file deals with the question of permitting the opening of higher forms in the St. Thomas Secondary School, Engandiyur. The D.P.G. accorded permission to the opening of Form IV in the school during 1949-50. But on a representation received from the management of the National High School, Engandiyur, the question was carefully considered and orders were issued that the Govt could not interfere at that stage. The D.P.G. was however informed demi-officially that the permission granted to the St. Thomas Secondary School, for the opening of Form IV should be strictly confined to that school year.

X

2. The President of the National High School, Engandiyur ^{p1cf}
 represented that there is no scope for two high schools in that
 locality and that the rival school should not be allowed to
 continue Form IV from the school year 1950-51 as it would strangle
 their school. At the same time the Correspondent, St. Thomas ^{p1cf}
 High School asserted that there was scope for two schools in that
 place and that they ~~might~~ be permitted to continue Form IV and
 open Form V during 1950-51. The D.P.G to whom the matter was
 referred, has reported that ~~the~~ there has been a decline in the
 strength of the National High School, Engandiyur by 29 pupils
 in 1949-50 consequent on the opening of Form IV ~~off~~ in the
 other school. Said that the accommodation in the former ~~the~~ school
 would permit the taking in of the students in the higher forms alone
 of the St. Thomas Secondary School, Engandiyur. The Director ^{p24cf}
 has further reported that the management of the St. Thomas
 Secondary School has been permitted to open Form V in the
 school in June 1950, as desired by H.M. (E & L). In the
 circumstances no further action seems necessary in the matter. ^{para 2 on p24cf}
 The file may be circulated to H.M. (E & L) and H.M. (Food &
 Fisheries) for perusal of the Director's report with reference
 to their minutes on page 1, 6 and 19cf and p 15cf respectively.

⑤ copy of orders of H.M.
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They should open only 1 sch in H.M. (E. & L.)

in IV & V forms

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H.M. (Food)

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with reference to the minutes of H.M. (E & L) above
 a draft memo is submitted for approval. After issue
 the papers may be filed with govt 3067 on 5.10.49

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