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[Despatch Abstract.]

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Communities. Vanniyakula ksatrya
Alleged removal - Protest - Press
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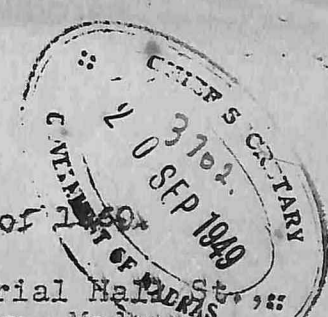
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VANNIYAKULA KSHATRIYA MAHA SANGAM.

Registered in the year 1888 under the Act 21 of 1949.

12, Memorial Hall, Park Town, Madras,
16th September, 1949.



VANNIYAKULA KSHATRIYAS AND THE CONGRESS.

Statement issued by Sri T.S. Nataraja Pillai, B.A., B.L., President Vanniyakula Kshatriya Maha Sangam, Madras.

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The success of the Vanniyakula Kshatriyas in the recent District Board elections in South Arcot seems to have offended the Madras Congressmen. Incited by them, the Government, we are informed, is taking measures to punish the Vanniyakula Kshatriyas. Their name is proposed to be deleted from the list of Backward Communities to whom half fee concessions are given by the Government. This news, which is appearing in the papers, might be ignored as fantastic if some of the ministers themselves did not lend credence to it by their speeches.

The concession mentioned above is shown to the members of the community because they are really backward in education and social status. It is not denied that this is a fact. But it is said that though they are backward in education, they are forward in politics. In similar terms spoke the wolf to the lamb when that offending creature was lapping water lower down the river. If a Tamilian member of the Congress were to oppose an Akhali leader in the Punjab and lose his election, would the Tamil Nad Congress Committee call it a 'Shameful misuse of Communalism' by the Sikhs? This is exactly what has happened in South Arcot. Here the Vanniyakula Kshatriyas swarm like bees and are in a majority in almost every centre. When the Ad Hoc Committee visited the District, the members of this Community prayed that they may be given representation according to their population. There was nothing preposterous in this request. The principle is a well acknowledged one in all democratic Governments. But the Committee denied them this fundamental right and began setting up people whom they liked. The Vanniyakula Kshatriyas were forced, for mere self preservation and out of sheer self defence to oppose the mighty Congress.

The population of the Vanniyakula Kshatriyas in Tamil Nad is about 60 lakhs. They have no representation anywhere, either in the Government or public bodies proportionate to their vast population. Their voices are not heard; their numbers do not count. In fact, next to the Audi Dravidas this is the only Community which is most sinned against than sinning.

Let us take, for example, the election to the Constituent Assembly. The Congress promised one representative for every million population. On that basis, the Vanniyakula Kshatriyas were entitled to six seats. But they were not avaricious. They pleaded for only one seat. The representatives of the Community in the Madras Assembly were seven in number. Four votes actually ensured success to every aspirant. But such was the prejudice of the Congress against this Community that every argument, every persuasion and all threats were used against these representatives to defeat a qualified advocate aspirant. Is it any wonder that the members of this community have come to feel that salvation to it can come only by self help? When the Community puts its house in order, and by self reliance and self help tries to hold up its head in the struggle for existence, down come the Congressmen to set their foot upon them and trample them down once more to the bottomless abyss.

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Such action would not redound to the credit of the Congress. The authorities in Congress would do well to pause and think furiously, instead of becoming indignant. It is up to the responsible ministers and others in High Command to find out why the Congress, the most popular of political bodies, should suddenly find itself in a quandary. Is it due to the Communalism of the Vanniyakula Kshatriyas, the swallows who opposed the Eagle? Or is it due to fundamental defects in the working of the Congress, if not in its policy? If the Government can prove by facts and figures and by publishing true statistics that the Vanniyakula Kshatriyas are not backward in education and social status, they are welcome to take the Vanniyakula Kshatriyas out of the list of Backward Communities. But to punish them for daring to oppose the Congress and defeat it, would be to use a giant's strength tyrannously. This would tarnish the fair name of the Congress. Any punitive measure would lead to bitterness and rancour which would be exploited by undesirables to their own useworthy ends. May I hope that better counsel will prevail?

T. S. Nataraja Pillai
16.9.49.

President,
Vanniyakula Kshatriya Maha Sangam.

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E. & P. H. Dept. (C1)

PRESS NOTE 177 S/ 4-X-47

The President of the Vanniyakula Kshatriya
Maha Sangam, Madras, has ~~stated~~ in a statement
dated the 16th September '49 that the Government
propose to delete the name of the community
from the list of non-Harijan Backward Communities
maintained for the purpose of the grant of fee
concession under the Madras Educational Rules.
The statement is absolutely unfounded.
The Govt. have no such proposal under consideration.

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BACKWARD COMMUNITIES - List of, for purposes of
Educational concessions - Vanniyakula Kshatriyas -
Proposal to exclude - Protest against.

Please see the copy of the statement to press issued by Sri T.S. Nataraja Pillai in the c.f. and the orders of the C.S. and H.M. (P.W.) thereon. The list of Backward Communities referred to by Sri Pillai in his statement is the list of communities given in the Madras Educational Rules for the purposes of educational concessions. E. & P.H. are concerned with proposals for any amendment or modification of those rules. This department has no information whether there is any proposal to amend the ^{list in} Educational Rules so as to exclude the Vanniyakula Kshatriyas from it as feared by Sri Pillai. A note contradicting the statement ^{or amplifying the position} has to issue in E. & P.H. This may, therefore, be transferred to that department.

2. Vanniyakula Kshatriyas are ~~not~~ doubt included also in the list of Backward Communities given in the General rules for the purposes of concessions in the matter of appointment to the public services etc. There is no proposal to amend these rules so as to exclude Vanniyakula Kshatriyas. ^{Therefore} In fact this list follows the list in the Madras Educational Rules and any amendment or alteration to it is proceeded with on the basis of any amendment issued to the Madras Educational Rules in E. & P.H.

S.P.H. may let this Deptt see the case in due course.

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S.P.H.

Vanniyakula Kshatriyas are at present included in the list of Non-Harijan Backward Communities under Rule 92 of the Madras Educational Rules. Checkers belonging to this Community are

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Eligible for half fee concession in all educational institutions on production of the necessary certificate of income.

There is no proposal in this dept at present to deny this Community the Concessions referred to above.

~~This may be referred to the~~

~~Public (Ser) for issuing the Press Note referred to in the minutes of H.R. (P.W.) as per ref.~~

~~A draft Press Note is submitted. Public (Ser) may see before circulation~~

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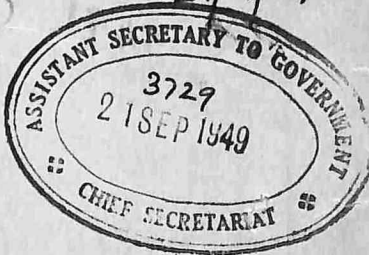
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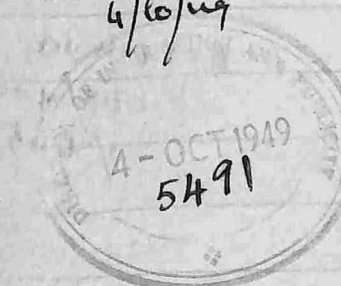
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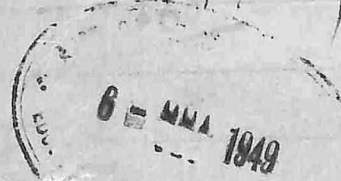
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