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FROM
K. Subramaniam,
Big Bazaar Street,
Tanjore.

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TO
The Minister for Education
Government of Madras

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Apart from the yield of paddy there come bags of green gram and other cereals which were disposed of by the secretary and correspondent of the Kalyanasundaram High School who is an adept in preparing false accounts having himself got declared once an insolvent, after cheating the public and the amounts realised thereby were not, so far as the undersigned knows, brought into account.

Nor did he take the trouble to constitute the body to supervise the accounts as per terms of the will. During the days of enhanced prices the yield from the said funds doubled and even trebled but there has been no corresponding increase in the number of pupils to whom scholarship was awarded. The choice of pupils was not made either, according to the terms of the will.

It is indeed an irony of circumstances that the very person in whom the donor had the least confidence because of his fraudulent practices in connection with other Gujaratee charities, has now become vested with the sole power and authority to administer the present charitable endowment.

The present headmaster having come into this position by the grace of the Secretary and correspondent is utterly incapable of asserting his views with regard to the proper choice of pupils for award of scholarships, though by virtue of the terms of the will, he has such authority. He readily agrees to subscribe to the views of the secretary and correspondent just to save his own skin. He is not only doing this, but has also handed over all records and documents relating to the endowment to the personal custody of the secretary and correspondent who contrary to the terms stipulated in the will, keeps those records in his private house and not in the school. There is not even an inventory kept by the present headmaster, of the documents so handed over and one cannot say now, what documents the said secretary has not destroyed.

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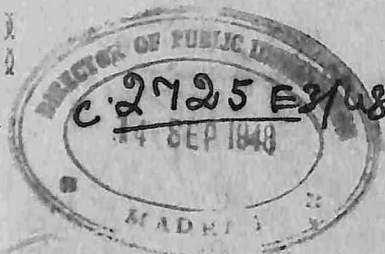
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I remain, Sir

Yours faithfully,

K. Subramanian

Tanjore.
date: 2-9-48



Education & Public Health.

P. B. Deptt.

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Referred to the Director of Public Instruction for

very early remarks.

(By order)

V. Rameswami
Assistant Secretary to Govt.

4/9/48

10.9.48

To
The Director of Public Instruction,
Madras.

From

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Tanjore.

To

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Yours faithfully,

K. Subba Rao

Tanjore.
2-9-1948

True Copy.

From
N. Subramanian,
Big Bazaar St.,
Tanjore.

16 OCT 1948

MINISTER FOR EDUCATION
GOVT. OF MADRAS

To
The Director of Public Instruction,

Through the District Inspector and through the District Officer, Tanjore.

Sir,

I have already informed you of the serious mismanagement of the funds of the Kalyanasundaram High School by the Committee in charge and have requested you to investigate and set right the affairs of the institution which has been all along brought up by the public of Tanjore. You may very well be aware that the school in spite of having no endowment worth the name, have been able to save from out of the school fee income, large sums of money year after year and all the surplus savings thus made by overworking the teaching staff is being squandered away and swindled off by a set of gamblers having nothing to call their own, who have managed to secure cooperation in name alone, some well to do people of status, but quite indifferent to what is being done in their name.

2. Herein I wish to give you some definite items of misappropriation by the correspondent and secretary who by himself is an adjudged insolvent and who has therefore nothing to lose. You may probably be aware that once you questioned the management for utilizing large sums of money from out of the surplus fund without your previous approval, in the so-called building improvement. I may tell you that they are continuing the same practice in spite of your disapproval and warning, and out of a lakh of rupees saved during the course of about 20 years they have hardly any amount as reserve fund. I can confidently assert that a large portion of this amount has gone to fill in private coffers with at any a variance for the school. You may perhaps wonder how could a lakh of rupees be saved from out of fee income. The strength has been over thousand five hundred and even about two thousand during the most recent five or six years. Yet in the days when honorary assistants were allowed, this committee has earned the admiration of people like Mr. Hon'ble Sastri and Sri M. S. Sundaram for employing six or seven untrained graduates as honorary assistants. If they could get L.75. to serve honorarily or on a monthly salary of L.45/- for years together, cannot the management save seven or eight thousand a year? I do not know one of the teachers who had done the work of an L.T. for over 30 years with a salary never more than 55 at any time and not even 15 for most years, grieve to find that this money so earned should be appropriated for private use by a few for nothing few.

3. The management acquired a plot of ground adjoining the school, the layan compound covering about 50 acres for a playground, for which the Government paid a grant of Rs.2500/-. The entire cost to the management for this acquisition was about 15000/-. The ground contained a lot of well grown trees and some buildings. In the Government estimate these trees and buildings have all been valued in determining the compensation amount. In laying out the ground these buildings were demolished, the rafters and beams were stored up and the trees were sold away. Though the cost of demolishing has found entry into the account, the amount realized by sale of tiles, old bricks, trees and other commodities have not been brought to accounts. The account of these years could be scrutinized and they will vouch for the correctness of my allegations. Yet the money so realized has been misappropriated.

4. Likewise another plot of ground was acquired for building extension, to the north of the school buildings, called the Tamil compound. This compound too contained a queen building. The entire cost in the management paid for it did not exceed Rs. 10,000/-. The existing building was remodelled to serve as a library. Yet the account which was submitted to the Government for the same has not been audited.

structures whereas there was no fresh structure erected but only the old building was remodelled. All this money went to fill the private purse of the Secretary and his partisans.--

5. The management erected a shed for the balance room. The wooden trusses for this were got by demolishing an old structure of laval compound and the 1st floor of the old building to the south of the main building. But the accounts will show that fresh wooden trusses were made for this structure. A proper enquiry will show that the bricks, and woodwork for this shed were got out of the demolished old structure. Thus nearly a thousand rupees were appropriated.

6. Again the management applied for a furniture grant to equip the school with benches, desks, work tables and almirahs for the laboratory and library. Two or three large sized teak wood racks and tables were suetted off from the Public Works Department and the cost for the purchase of these racks has been brought to account. But for the desks, benches and work tables approved by the Director of Public Instruction and for which Government grant was paid were all made out of the dismantled racks and not out of fresh wood purchased as the accounts will show. A scrutiny of the articles of furniture will bear out the truth of my statement. Thus the cost of fresh wood entered in the accounts has gone to private use of the Secretary and his partisans.

7. The management purchased four or five dwelling houses just adjacent to the main building. The prices of these houses were fixed by private negotiation by the Secretary individually and payments were made through him. The owners of these houses will state if required that amounts they were paid for these houses. A comparison of these figures with those entered in the accounts will clearly indicate the misdeeds of the transaction.

8. The department may well know that the school once belonged to a private party and it was then transferred to a committee. At the time the school was transferred, the committee undertook to pay 1,000/- by way of compensation to the private party that owned the school and gave over the property to the registered society. But unfortunately a grant of a legal flaw in the deed of transfer of property, there was a minor suit filed by the grandson of that original proprietor, claiming the entire property with all the accumulated income. The suit was dismissed with cost at the Sub Court Tanjore. The Plaintiff filed an appeal in the District Court. The case went to the instigation of the Secretary and his partisans, arranged for a compromise out of court and paid some twelve thousands or so to the Plaintiff to withdraw the appeal. The Secretary had his own share of the spoils. But the entire cost of defending the suits both in the lower court and in the upper has been met out of the school funds. The question is whether the management got the sanction of the Director of Public Instruction to meet this compensation amount from out of surplus funds. Did the Director of Public Instruction's sanction for such use of surplus funds without permission, have any effect upon the management? Why should the compromise be arranged out of court when the decree in the lower court has been in favour of the management. Did the management secure competent legal advice before adopting this course? Or did they secure at least the permission of the Department for doing so? Evidently the whole arrangement was the inclination of the Secretary to his personal profits.

9. Again a Cuzarattee gentleman has made a scholarship endowment of over 1,00,000. In the deed of transfer of the landed property with an annual yield of over 2,000/-, he has stipulated that a committee should be constituted to supervise the disposal of the charities. It is more than five years since the deed was executed, but the supervising committee has not been constituted. The yield from the lands is not used for paddy but also for other cereals. The amounts realized by sale of cereals are not being used for the purpose of scholarship but are being used for the private use of the Secretary and his partisans.

who manages the whole fund by himself, carried out other charitable and undertakings stipulated in the Registered will of the donor. He is continuously misappropriating the funds unquestioned by anybody. He has removed the entire filed of documents relating to this endowment to his personal custody. The ex-headmaster of the school Mr. N. Sundaram Iyer, questioned the propriety of the Secretary's action in this respect as well as in others, the Secretary manoeuvred to get him out of the school and instal in his place, a man who has neither the wit nor courage to question him.

10. The management made a fixed deposit of about Rs. 18000 in the Nicholson cooperative bank in which Mr. A. B. Visvanatha Iyer, the Treasurer of the Malayalamam High School, and a partisan of the Secretary was the President for a number of years. This worthy President without the knowledge of the school committee had drawn a major part of the amount as loan on his authority as treasurer of the school, for his personal use. When this was discovered he had to resign his presidency of the bank. Whether he made good the amount to the school or not I do not know. But the facts I have stated may be verified by enquiring the Board of directors of the bank.

11. The teachers of the school enacted a drama to collect enough funds to purchase a good Talkie projector for the school in the year 1936. They were able to collect Rs. 800/-. Sri. L. Sankaranarayanan, the then District Judge of Tanjore presided over the function. The amount cannot be traced anywhere in the school accounts. For is the money available now though no projector has been purchased.

12. During the course of each year the accounts will show that the Secretary had taken advances periodically of amounts never less than a hundred. The total amount thus taken as advance would often run up to Rs. 5000/-. Only on the 31st day of March of each year will the entry of expenditure for all these amounts be made in the school accounts. Once the ex-headmaster asked the treasurer to produce accounts for advances taken and thus infuriated the secretary and he found ways and means to get that headmaster out of his way.

13. I may mention many other facts to prove the continuous mismanagement of funds but I shall confine myself at present with stating the following. There is a books and stationery society attached to the school. It is not run on any cooperative basis. It is managed by a committee which never meets. The committee has not audited the accounts and passed the same for a number of years. The Secretary of the school is the President and Treasurer of the committee. The latter office helps him to draw money from bank whenever he likes. A few months back the Secretary drew a sum of Rs. 2000/- or so in instalments from the bank obviously for the payment of different campaigns who supplied books for bookstall though no such payment seems to have been made on or soon after the withdrawal. Subsequently it seems to have been utilised by the Treasurer Mr. A. B. Visvanatha Iyer who celebrated the marriage of his daughter and her nuptials on or about the same dates. What a pity that the money earned by starving teachers should be used for such purposes!

14. I would earnestly request you to institute a proper inquiry as early as possible. I do feel it very keenly that the institution for which I have shed my life blood should get to ruins in this manner. I feel like giving all these facts a wider publicity in the Legislature of the Province, if things are not set right. I would earnestly urge that you will find this a most fitting case for bringing into force the Act of acquisition of school buildings now in the making.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Yours faithfully,

L. S. Sankaranarayanan

Tanjore.

9-10-1943.

E & P. H. (21).

This is only a copy of a petition addressed
to the B.P.G. May be lodged & added to file on the affairs
of this school.

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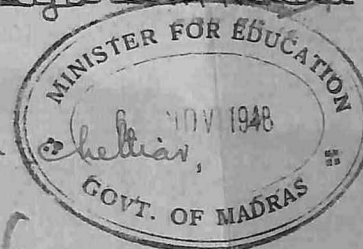
T.R. Govindarajulu Naidu
South Rampart Tanjore.

To

The Hon. Sri. T.K. Arinasilugam

Minister for Education,

MADRAS.



Sir,

Please allow me to bring the following to your kind
notice and necessary action thereon.

I am an old pupil of the Kalyanasundaram High School,
Tanjore. My father and my brothers also were students of that
school. So our family has a life interest in the Welfare of the
institution.

When the management of the School was transferred from
a private individual to a committee, I had a desire to be one
of the members of the General body. So I applied for a member-
ship in the year 1946 but my application was rejected without
assigning any reason. The present committee which is managing
the school for the last fifteen years and more has framed ~~the~~
rules and by laws in such a way that they may enjoy the preve-
ledge of running the institution to their own interest themselves
without giving any opportunity for others who are desirous to be
of use by taking part in the management of the school. The
members too are not even sufficiently qualified and many of them
have not even studied upto fifth form. Financially the members
of the Generalbody are of no use to the school. They have also
reduced the annual subscription to one Rupee which was originally
Rupees Ten. In spite of it the general body consists of only a
score of members of whom fifteen form the Governing body. If
they had admitted more members and raised the subscription to
Rupees ten ~~a month~~ annually for which many of the citizens are
prepared, the school might have by this time a large sum of
money as reserve fund. Though the school is of more than fifty
years standing, and a large number of pupils are studying in it,
there is no endowment or reserve fund till now and the school
runs barely out of the school fee income.

Many philanthropic people who are the admirers of the
above founder and welwishers of the school who can willingly do
much for their Alma mater are not allowed to do anything for it.
I for one desire to make an endowment for the school and the
present worthy committee does not want me to do it, for they
fear that their rights of enjoyment unquestioned, will be affected.

It is highly regrettable to see that a big institution
having a glorious part is ruining itself and gradually losing
public sympathy.

So I request that you will be pleased to enquire and
set right the matter, so that many who are interested in the
Welfare of the institution may be given the privilege of being
useful to it.

Tanjore.
4th Nov. 1948.

Yours faithfully,
T.R. Govindarajulu Naidu

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Schools - Secondary - Kalyanasundaram High School,
Tanjore - Mismanagement

From K. Subramanian, Tanjore No Nil d/2.9.48

Memo No. 65593 B, 48-2 Edn. d/19.11.48.

The attention of the D.P.S is invited to Govt
Endt. No. 65593 B, 48-1 Edn d/13.9.48, sent to
him in original, on the above subject and he is
requested to state at what stage the matter is
and when his reply may be expected.

To
The D.P.S.

10/11/48
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6.11.48

From

K. Subramania Iyer,
Big Beeyalu St.,
Tanjore.

To

The Minister for Education
Madras

Sir,

Ref: Mismanagement of Kalyanasundaram High School Tanjore.

I have been sending you a series of petitions regarding the mismanagement, fraud and misappropriation of the school funds by the Kalyanasundaram High School Educational Society.

A fortnight ago I had been to the District Educational Officer and explained to him in detail all the matters referred to in my several petitions. He told me that he was going to inspect the School next week and look into the accounts then.

He inspected the school last week and I understand that the entire accounts were not produced and even from the accounts produced so far there have been serious frauds and misappropriations. I also noticed that the Secretary was feverishly creating accounts in his house with the help of school clerks.

If immediate steps are not taken to seize the Registers, vouchers and records, I am afraid that they will be tampered with. In the interest of the institution I pray that you may be pleased to take personal interest and effect immediate action in the matter.

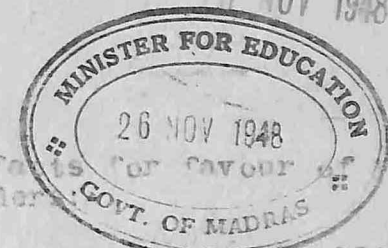
Yours faithfully,

K. Subramania Iyer

Tanjore.
Date: 29-11-48

Tanjore. 13
23rd Nov. 1948.

To
The District Educational Officer,
T A M J O
Sir,



We beg to call your kind consideration to the order

We learn that there is an allotment of Rs. 7500/- for furniture work for the use of the Valvamsundaram High School at Tanjore. There is a similar allotment for the St. Antony's High School at Pookara Street, Tanjore.

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St. Antony's High School and similar other institutions have called in for quotations from all the Timber Depots and furniture marts excepting the abovesaid Valvamsundaram High School and orders were being placed with those who have offered the lowest rates.

The Correspondent and the Headmaster of the St. Antony's High School himself has gone to various places of business both in Tanjore and Kumbakonam and at last our quotations being the lowest of all, supply orders were being placed with us and we are supplying them accordingly. Written quotations got from various merchants, Timber Depots and furniture marts from Tanjore and Kumbakonam are in the files of the St. Antony's High School at Tanjore.

In this connection we beg to bring to your kind notice that the District Board Industrial School and the Vorstedt School at Tanjore are adopting a separate method of calling in for Sealed Tenders for the supply of Timber and other necessary materials and the lowest Tender is being accepted and then supplies are being effected according to the conditions of the Sealed Tender.

But, in the case of the Valvamsundaram High School at Tanjore we regret to note and say that they have not got the courtesy to enquire the prevailing rates from any other Timber Depot and furniture mart but the Correspondent of the said School has used his own discretion of purchasing the required timber in the shape of cut sizes only and not in the shape of finished furniture from the only favourite Timber Mart, Timber Depot of the Correspondent, i.e. Messrs. Sri Ram Timber Depot, Clock Tower Road, Tanjore, in which Timber Depot alone the Correspondent of the Valvamsundaram High School has got personal interest. But later on when some of the sizes were not available with the said Sri Ram Timber Depot, the Correspondent was driven to the necessity of running to another Timber Depot namely, Messrs. A.M. Subbaraya Chettiar & Bros., Timber Merchants, Market Road, East Gate, Tanjore, who was pleased to supply some sizes only from their Branch Depots at Kumbakonam and Mayavaram. These sizes were delivered at the School site thro. lorries. Out of these sizes originally accepted by the Correspondent of the Valvamsundaram High School, and now when the supplier is pressing the Correspondent of the institution to pay for the sizes supplied some of the sizes originally accepted by the said Correspondent are in a position to be returned to the suppliers, Messrs. A.M. Subbaraya Chettiar & Bros, Tanjore, and no payment has been made till to-day, though the Correspondent was good enough to assure them that payments would be made in a fortnight's time from the date of purchase - say from about the first week of October 1948. We also fear that legal action may also be taken against the institution for the immediate realisation of the Bill amount by the said supplier.

Further when the undersigned had been to the institution where the furniture work was progressing under the direct undertaking and guidance of the Correspondent of the School, he was

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able to see most of the once used old teak sizes which were in the shape of joists and Rafters being cut in the saw-pit dug in one corner of the play-ground premises where the furniture workshop was also attached and being utilised for the new desks as if they were purchased newly. Such teak sizes ought to have been removed from a big building like the Kalyanasundaram High School. This was confirmed by the carpenter namely Mr. Manikam Asaria who is also our customer, that they are only old ones kept in stock at the so called Kalamiam, where the carpenter's workshop was situated for the manufacture of these furniture.

Then came the necessity of top planks for the Dual Desks. The undersigned offered one Burma Teak Plank measuring 13" x 3 1/2" x 4 1/2' 13" x 2 1/2" x 7 1/2' @ the rate of Rs. 15/8/- per C.ft. the Correspondent was pleased to accept the same then and thereafter when the Correspondent came to our Depot and asked for a bill just something above the rates originally quoted, there came the necessity to return the Teak Plank taken from us. And so, the teak plank was returned to us in fact after a week's time.

Then the Correspondent was driven to the necessity of purchasing some Teak Logs from another Timber Depot, namely Messrs. V.R. & Sons, from whom the Correspondent of the School himself personally made selections of the logs and cut them into planks then into planks for the top of the Dual Desks. In this connection we have the pleasure to inform for your future guidance that best quality Burma Teak sizes ready for the manufacture of such furniture could be very easily got from the importers themselves at a rate not exceeding Rs. 12/- per C.ft., whereas the Correspondent was pleased to offer and dare to purchase at a rate which is not prevailing in any market. For example the cost of one Dual Desk including carpentry and other expenses will never exceed Rs. 55/- each in Burma Teak though manufactured in Malabar Teak which is worth Rs. 10/- per C.ft.

We are extremely sorry to note that public money is being misused in such a way as to affect the members of the institution concerned and the merchants like ourselves, who deal in Timber and furniture - as there is every possibility for any one who see this furniture supply bill to presume that the purchase of timber being short lengths only which are available at the cheapest rates are being charged at prohibitive rates. It is needless to add that short lengths are generally charged at the lowest rates in every market and especially for a public Institution of this kind every merchant is bound to supply and is sure to supply at the cheapest rates.

If surprise enquiries are being made immediately in all the above mentioned Timber Depots where the Correspondent has purchased personally, it will very easily prove how the Correspondent of a recognised Hindu Institution is personally benefitted by those transactions.

Further, we have to bring to your kind memory that the St. Xavier's Industrial School and the District Board Industrial School are manufacturing best Burma Teak furniture according to specification, and if the Correspondent was pleased to ask for quotations from either of these subject to selection of furniture finished, it would have been highly advantageous to the institution - rather to the public money. Even if the whole lot was let on contract basis with any one of the furniture works, it would have been much better and advantageous to the institution.

And lastly the Correspondent himself has purchased personal personally at a rate above Rs. 200/- per 1000, when the undersigned offered Roofing tiles at Rs. 175/- per 1000. Later on we came to know that the tiles were sent to Sudarsana Sabha. These tiles were also purchased from the Correspondent's Favourite Timber Depot viz. Sri Ram Timber Depot.

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In this connection we have to bring to your kind notice that best Teroke made Roofing tiles are being sold by the Air Field Contractors at Rs.150 and even less.

It seems that a sum of Rs.2500/- ~~xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx~~ about Rupees Two thousand and five hundred is due to Messrs. A.M. Subbaraya Chettiar & Bros, Timber Merchants Market Road, East Gate, Tanjore, by the Correspondent of the Vayanasundaram High School Tanjore and that a sum of about Rs.1200/- is due to Messrs Sri Ram Timber Depot by the said Correspondent in the above transactions.

Since we pray you to be kind enough to enquire and in future arrange to call for quotations and to encourage all merchants and contractors, and thereby avoid ~~corruption~~ corruption.

Awaiting your Commands and Thanking you in the meantime.

Yours Faithfully,

For The Tanjore Timber Depot,

Sri Venkataraman

Proprietor.

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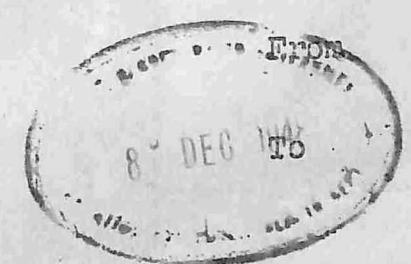
The Divisional Inspector Of Schools, Madras.

The Director Of Public Instruction, Madras.

Sri. T.S. Avinashilingam Chettiar, A.M.,
Minister for Education,
MADRAS.

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Education Department.



The Director of Public Instruction,
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The Secretary to the Government of Madras,
Education and Public Health Department,
Fort St. George, M a d r a s.

R.C.No.917-D3/48 dated 5th December, 1948.

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SIR,

SCHOOLS--Secondary--Kalyanasundaram High School,
Tanjore--Mismanagement.

Reference:-Government Memorandum No.65,593-B1-48-2 Hounte
Education dated 19.11.1948.

The District Educational Officer, Tanjore is
investigating into the affair from 16th November 1948
and he has been asked to expedite the submission of his
report as early as possible. I shall submit the reply
immediately on receipt of the above.

Ld P.H.O.

The further report from the D.P.S
may be awaited till 5.1.49.

Yours faithfully,

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For Director of Public Instruction.

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Notes: A Complaint from U.S. Sundaresan, Vakil's clerk,
 Tanjore.

He says that the funds of the Kalyana Sundaram High School are mismanaged. It is said that its Secretary is one T.N. Kumarasami who is an insolvent pauper. He and the Accountant, who is also the Accountant of the Tanjore Sundaresana Saba are alleged to issue fraudulent receipts for money spent and he says actual verification of the receipt amounts with the particulars in the shops will reveal the fraud. The Accountant draws salary at both the places. The Kalyanasundaram College fund has amounted to Rs. 39,000 and the money is now in the custody of these men and the Complainant apprehends misappropriation from this amount. The AEO. who came for enquiry is said to have been influenced by people like "A.Y. Nadar".

An immediate enquiry is requested.

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Education Department.

From

The Director of Public Instruction,
Madras.

To

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

98 JAN 1949

Rec. 917 D3/47 dated 24-1-1949.

Sir

Sub: Schools - Secondary - Aided - Irregularities -
Management, Kalyanasundaram High School, Tanjore -
Remarks offered.

Ref: Government Endt. Rc. 65593-B1-48 Edn., dated 13-9-48.
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In resubmitting herewith the Government endorsement referred to above, I have the honour to state that several letters were received in this office also from the same author, Sri K. Subrahmanyam, alleging various irregularities in the Kalyanasundaram High School, Tanjore. The District Educational Officer was asked to carry out an investigation. I submit herewith a copy of his report contained in letter Rc. 532 B/48 dated 26-12-1948 for perusal.

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2 The report reveals a most unsatisfactory state of things involving misappropriation of school ~~fees~~ ^{Funds}. The management, further have failed to implement the agreement undertaken before the Advocate General in 1946, in getting the governing body enlarged.

3 In this connection, I invite reference to para 2 of Government Memo No. 63006 B1/48-2 Edn., dated 5-10-1948 and letter No. 3833 Dated 9-12-1948 from the Government Solicitor submitted with my Rec.

no 620 D1.47 dated 16-12-1948 to Government suggesting the desirability

~~xxxxxxxxxxxx~~ of launching prosecutions in cases of falsification etc. In my opinion this is a fit 'test case' for such action.

I request Government may be pleased to pass orders for a police investigation if necessary and prosecution.

Yours faithfully,

The Director

for Director of Public Instruction.

Copy for file.

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From (Name) **Janab S.M. Usman Sahib**
M.A., L.T.,
 Designation **Dist. Ed. Officer,**
 Station **Tanjore.**

Received.....Registered.....

To **The Divisional Inspector of Schools**
Mathurai Division, Mathurai.

Enclosures:

Re. **532-B/48**dated **26-12-48.**

No. 194

Sir,

Sub:-Allegations against the management of the
Kalyanasundaram High School, Tanjore.

Ref:-1. File bearing No. 615 B/48 of the
 Divisional Inspector of schools, Mathurai.

2. File bearing No. 917 D/3-47 dated 12.11.48
 of the Director of Public Instruction, Madras.

The following allegations are made against the
 management of the Kalyanasundaram High School, Tanjore.

1. That the Kalyanasundaram High School ^{School and} Society
 and the Governing Body are not managing the institution
 satisfactorily and that the Society has not been enlarged
 as directed by the Advocate General, Madras.

2. That the Trust Funds of the Nazim Tawker
 Endowment are not administered properly.

3. That furniture made with aid of Government
 grant are not new and genuine

4. That the Treasurer misused the funds of the
 school and the Society

5. That the Secretary of the Institution 'an
 adjudged insolvent' is virtually in control of the insti-
 tution

6. That the funds of the Books and Stationery
 Society attached to the institution are being misused

7. That the surplus funds of the school are uti-
 lized without the previous approval of the authorities

8. That the several properties movable and im-
 movable got out of the land acquisition award
 (Layan grounds and Thattimal) were sold away and that the
 sale proceeds have not been credited to the school account

9. That dwelling houses were purchased opposite
 to the school but that the prices paid and the prices
 on the sale deed are not one and the same i.e. the owners
 were paid less than the sale deed would indicate.

10. That a sum of Rs. 12,000/- was paid to the person
 who instituted the minor suit when the original suit itself
 failed in the lower court.

11. That the proceeds of a Drama ~~xxx~~ enacted by
 the staff to augment the school funds were not credited
 to the school funds

12. That the Secretary has been taking advances
 frequently which are accounted for only on 31st March of
 each financial year.

To await the

Dr. I's remarks

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The following remarks are submitted on the several allegations enumerated above.

1. The institution was founded by three ~~and~~ Educationists in 1891 and they enjoyed proprietary rights over the institutions. In the year 1927, due to allegations against these founders they transferred the institution to a Society registered under Act XXI of 1860. A committee of seven members was instituted and they were managing the institution till 1931. In that year several members got admitted into the Society and the present members of the Society took over the management of the school. The number of members in the Society is reported to be 21, and 15 of them were elected as members of the Governing Body. This Governing body consists of a President, a Vice-President, two Secretaries, a Treasurer and an Assistant Treasurer and 9 other members. In the year 1946 an application for permission to file a scheme suit to change over the management of the institution was preferred to the Advocate General who however rejected it suggesting at the same time certain modification in the rules and the enlargement of the general body. Though the rules were amended, the Society has not been enlarged as undertaken before the Advocate General in 1946. It appears true that many of the members do not take adequate interest in the management of the school. It also appears true that the entire management has been left in the hands of the Secretary and the Treasurer.

Originally the rules of the Society provided that voting for every new admission shall be by ballot by balls in such a way that the voter cannot be identified and that one dissentient vote is equivalent to three assenting votes. This rule was amended in 1946 on the advice of the Advocate General. Though the rules are amended and provision is made for the admission of a large number of members, no new members have so far been admitted actually.

The allegations in the petition that the object of the Governing Body is to keep the control of the institution as a close preserve for themselves appears true. It is felt that this committee should not be allowed to function as it is, in view of the several allegations detailed below but that this committee should be actually enlarged as advised by the Advocate General so that a body of the men interested in Education and the welfare of the school should take over the reins of administration.

2. NANA TAWKER; During the year 1943, a philanthropic gentleman of Tanjore, Nana Tawker by name, endowed some properties to be administered by the Governing body of the school for the purpose of some minor charities but mainly for sanction of a minimum number of scholarships in the school. A perusal of the Gift deed shows that three main conditions were attached to it. viz., (a) that a committee of members should be formed to administer the fund (b) that the income of every year should be utilised in the same year either by a ~~proposal~~ ^{proposals} either by a ~~proposals~~ ^{proposals} increase in the number of scholarships or a ^{proportional}

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or a proportional decrease (c) that its funds should not be mixed up ~~as~~ with any other funds.

All the three conditions appear to have been violated. The committee has not been formed, the income of each year has not been completely utilised for the ~~the~~ purpose intended, and the funds have been mixed up with other accounts by sanctioning advances to the School etc. The gift is mainly of wet lands and the lease deeds are being got every year. The investigation of the complaint was taken up along with the annual inspection on 16-11-1948. On that day the documents and accounts, vouchers, Trust deed and lease deeds etc., relating to the gift were called for. The Trust deed alone was forthcoming from the Headmaster on that day. The Correspondent of the school was further reminded on the subject on 18-11-48 the last day of inspection of the school. He requested time till 21-11-1948 to produce the several documents, but they were made available on 22-11-48.

A detailed examination of the accounts reveals the following discrepancies:

On 1-6-45: an amount of 16-1-0 was reported to have been paid by the lessee as per terms of the lease. This amount was not brought into account. The lease deed of 1946 shows that an amount of Rs. 1-9-0 was paid by the lessee in cash. This amount also was not credited in the account. In 1947 an additional credit of Rs. 47-4-0 has been taken into the account.

Advances have been made from Nana Tawker Trust towards the school funds during these years in violation of the terms of the Trust Deed and to-day the balance of advance due from school funds to this fund is Rs. 2,950/-.

Besides this, an advance of Rs. 500/- was also paid to the Treasurer of the school in November and December 1947. This was recouped on 19-3-1948 only. The purpose for which this advance was made to the Treasurer of the school is not known. All these transactions indicate that the trust is not administered properly.

3. Furniture: With reference to this charge only the furniture grant application admitted to aid during 1947-48 and payable in 1948-49 was taken up for investigations, as the transactions of previous years cannot be verified at this distance of time. The approved cost of the application exceeds Rs. 7,000/-. During the course of my inspection of the school, I found that the furniture were made in the school premises. I also found that old timber ~~used~~ in the school was also used in the construction of furniture. Several pieces of old timber and several door planks are stored in a lumber room along with new timber where the new furniture are made. The vouchers for the purchase of new timbers were called for from the Secretary for perusal, but the Secretary in his letter dated 22-11-48 has stated that vouchers for wood purchased for preparing furniture are not with him but that the furniture is prepared under contract system. This is not true as

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as is proved in the circumstances narrated below.

Two letters from the two timber merchants (Enclosures 2 & 3) namely Sri R. Dharmian B.A.L.T., of Sri Ram Timber Depot, Tanjore dated 2-12-48 and Messrs. A.M. Subbaraya Chettiar and brothers, Timber merchants, Tanjore dated 3-12-1948 in reply to my query to them whether they have supplied wood to the Secretary would show that the Secretary and Correspondent of the school purchased timber from them and has regular dealings with them during the year 1948-49. That the Secretary has purchased timber for preparation of the articles is therefore ~~providing~~ proved. Enclosures 4 and 4(a) are statements given by Sri T.S. Manicka Asari the carpenter in charge of the making of furniture. He says that he is the only man who is in charge of making furniture for the school, that he is making them on the basis of daily wages, that he employs under him ten more carpenters and works for the preparation of the furniture, that the daily wages is dependent on the kind of furniture he makes, that the timber and other materials for the furniture are supplied to him by the Secretary and Correspondent of the Society Sri Kumaraswami Davai, and that under the orders of the Secretary he uses old timber in the school with the new timber for the making of the new furniture.

Enclosure No. 5. is a statement given by a peon employed in the school who is supervising the manufacture of articles under the orders of the Secretary. This statement is witnessed by the Headmaster of the school. The facts stated in the statement of the carpenter (Enclosure 4 and 4(a)) are corroborated to the minutest detail by this statement.

It is, therefore, evident that the Secretary's statement in his letter dated 22-11-1948 that he is preparing the furniture under contract system is completely false.

4. That the Treasurer misused the fund of the school.

A scrutiny of the several accounts maintained in the school reveals that the treasurer has drawn advances frequently from

- (a) the School accounts.
- (b) Educational Society's accounts
- (c) Nana Tawker Accounts and
- (d) College Accounts.

and paying them back off and on. The advances look like temporary misappropriation of the several funds. The Treasurer has no executive function. He has nothing to incur as expenditure for the school. But the cheque books are under his custody and as the rules of the Society give him power to operate on the several accounts of the school he has drawn amounts as he pleased. Neither the Secretary, nor the President, nor any member of the Governing Body seems to have taken him to task on this account.

The following amounts are outstanding with the Treasurer from several accounts:

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(a) on 31-3-48 the amount to be repaid by the Treasurer was Rs. 4254-2-7. This has been repaid in instalments and the amount still due to the school is Rs. 334-2-7.

(b) For the accounts produced for College funds there should be a balance of Rs. 311-0-0 in this account. But there is no credit for this amount in any of the accounts operated by the Treasurer.

A list of advances taken by the Treasurer from the school funds during 1947-48 and 1948-49 is appended herewith as enclosure. (6) *Mr. enclosed*

(c) The accounts of Kalyanasundaram High School Educational Society: Cash balance on 31-3-1948 With the Treasurer Rs. 6056/-.

The Society's accounts maintained by the Treasurer further show that the closing balance on 31-3-47 was 63,47-14-9, but that the opening balance on 1-4-47 was only Rs. 6,000/-. The difference has not been accounted for. It is significant that the Society's accounts were not looked into by the auditor ~~for~~ after 1-4-1946 even though these accounts have been audited prior to 1-4-46. After 1-4-46 the Society's Accounts are maintained irregularly and the accounts also do not seem to have been brought up-to-date till the date of inspection. The Treasurer appears to have been operating on the funds as if they were his private funds.

(d) On page 153 of the school ledger for 1948-49 there are two significant items: On 21-5-48 and on 4-6-48 there are two entries, one for Rs. 4,500/- and another for 4,875/- as being the amounts "Received ~~for~~ back from the Treasurer" (By transfer of F.D. loan). These entries clearly indicate that loans are of the nature of temporary misappropriation as detailed below:

There is a fixed deposit for Rs. 10,000/- (two amounts of Rs. 5,000/- each) in the local Nicholson Bank, of which the Treasurer was its then President. He raised a loan of the amounts specified above on this F.D. and seems to have appropriated it for his use. The amounts are entered in the Society's account on 1-4-47 under suspense. The amounts have been subsequently refunded to school accounts in 1948-49. The sanction of the Governing Body for raising the loan on the fixed deposit does not seem to have been obtained. The allegations in the petition are proved by these entries.

(e) On 2-7-1948 the Secretary requested the Headmaster to send a cheque for Rs. 1,000/- from the Book stall account (Enclosure 7.). In the cheque book of the Book stall account containing counterfoils of 25 cheques Nos. 109301- 109325 (Enclosure 8). Cheque No. 109304 for Rs. 1,000/- is the result. This cheque is drawn as indicated in the counterfoil ~~purpose~~ under the initials of the Headmaster for the ~~purpose~~ of *Mr. enclosed*

of "For payment to Companies". No such payment was ever made out of the amount drawn on this cheque, but this amount was noted as advance to the treasurer, in the account books of the book-stall account. The allegation in the petition that the treasurer was advanced this amount for his private use is therefore proved.

It is therefore evident that the treasurer has been temporarily misappropriating the school funds and other funds attached to the Kalyanasunilaram High School Educational Society.

5. The present Secretary was Assistant Secretary of the institution when the present Governing Body came in, and later on became the Secretary. The manner in which the affairs of the school are conducted and the entries in the school and other allied accounts are written up indicate that the Secretary is virtually in control of the institution. The other members of the Governing Body do not appear to evince any interest in the affairs of the school except by way of attending the Governing Body whenever it pleased them. It is learnt that the present Secretary is an adjudged insolvent.

6. Books and Stationery Society Account:--

On the second day of my inspection, I perused the accounts of the Book-stall. The entries in this account were made from 23-12-1947 just before a few days before the inspection. Even on the second day of my inspection (17-11-1948) the accounts were written up only up to the end of May, 1948. Entries subsequent to that month were completed only after inspection.

The entries in this account show, that several advances have been made to the school account, that there were adequate sales and credits with the Book-stall account; and many advances made to the Treasurer of the Book-stall (who is the Secretary and Correspondent of the school) and to the school, still remain unadjusted.

The following further irregularities are noticed:--

(a) The Secretary and Correspondent of the school is also the President and Treasurer of the Book-stall Society.

(b) that the General Body of members did not meet at all from the year 1940--last meeting took place on 6--11--1940.

(c) As per bye-laws of the Book-stall account a sum of about Rs.200/- out of the profits earned has to be made over to the school for award of prizes by way of books to the school pupils. This has not been done.

(d) The book-stall accounts have not been audited as required by the rules for the year 1947-48 and that the audit fees for the previous years have not been paid.

(e) Remuneration to the person for running the Book-stall has also not been paid for several years.

(f) The remittances of sums realised by sale of books and stationery to pupils and teachers are made into the Bank then and there, but the advances drawn by

by the treasurer in favour of the Headmaster are entered in the accounts only when details are made available to the person in charge of book-stall accounts. The cheque book and the pass book relating to this account are not kept with the man who is maintaining the accounts.

(g) The accounts written do not indicate the actual transactions connected with the purchase and sale of books alone. Entries unconnected with the running of the depot have also been made in view of the advances made to the school.

(h) A cheque for Rs.1000/- for the purpose ostensibly for payment to companies was drawn by the treasurer in favour of the Headmaster on 2-7-48 but this amount has not been utilised for the purpose for which it was drawn but given to the Treasurer as per entries in the account-book. This amount is still due to the Book-stall Society from the Treasurer. It is not known for what purpose this huge sum was paid to the Treasurer of the school by the Treasurer of the Book-stall. This amounts to temporary embezzlement of the Book-stall monies by the Treasurer--vide remarks in this connection under item 4.(Treasurer).

Enclosure (9) gives an abstract of the credits and debits of the Book-stall account as on 27-11-48. This would reveal the chaotic state of affairs of the book-stall run by the school.

7. Utilisation of surplus funds of the school:--

The following are the surplus funds of the school for the past several years utilised by the management:

1943-44	..	11,492--2--0	(Spent on building without the previous permission of the Director who subsequently ratified the expenditure in Pros. L.Dis.1036 D/43 d/- 17-6-44.)
1944-45	..	Nil.	
1945-46	..	Nil.	
1946-47	..	5,818--7--6	Amounts already spent and
1947-48	..	6,920-13--6	permission applied for subsequently.

Of the Rs.5818-7-6, Rs.4000 has been paid to the minor, who instituted a claim suit and Rs.1800/- and odd spent towards T.A. etc., in connection with the suit. This payment is due to the fact that the High Court has passed a compromise decree allowing the payment of Rs.10,000 to the minors in the claim suit.

8. Layan and Thattimal acquisitions:--

The Correspondent of the school was requested to produce for the perusal of the Dt.Educational Officer, the schedules of properties connected with the two acquisitions noted above. He produced only a bare copy of the award in respect of layan alone and three chalangas only in respect of Thattimal. The copy of the award was not produced for Thattimal. It was reported by the Correspondent that the award relating to Thattimal was included in the suit papers, that he would search for it and make it available for scrutiny. He did not do so hitherto. The two acquisitions are of extensive area. From what could be seen from the award order of the layan grounds, it appears that there should have been a large number of buildings and

and trees both dead and alive. The accounts relating to the sale of these items were called for but it was reported by the Correspondent that they were included in the accounts of the school. The accounts of the school relating to this period were perused. It was found that a sum of about Rs.700/- only was credited to the school accounts, not as a separate item relating to these sales, but under the item 'Sale of rejected articles'. The latter term would mean sale of condemned articles of furniture etc., belonging to the school. It may, therefore, be true that adequate credits have not been taken to the school by sale of these articles. But in the absence of schedules of properties relating to these awards, it is not possible to state definitely if there is truth in the allegation.

9. Purchase of dwelling houses:

This allegation cannot be proved. The former owners will never confess having received less amounts than those specified in the sale deeds.

10. Payment of Rs.10,000 to the minor in the claim suit:

This allegation has already been disposed of with the remarks under item 7. The payment appears bonafide in view of the compromise decree of the High Court.

11. Proceeds of drama not credited:

This allegation is false. In the accounts of the school for 1943-44 under Miscellaneous receipts, an amount of Rs.702-14-0 was credited as proceeds of drama collections.

12. Advances to the Secretary:

The allegations in respect of this item were already referred to in the foregoing paragraphs.

Enclosure 10 details the advances paid to the Secretary from the school funds during the years 1947-48 and 1948-49. The accounts of the previous years were not obviously looked into in detail, as it is not possible to do so in view of the fact that it will involve several days' additional work.

Account is not rendered for the several advances drawn then and there, but only on the last date of the financial year. It is reported that the Secretary is obliged to take these advances for purchase of materials or for works connected with the school. Proper accounting requires that vouchers from the parties concerned should have been obtained then and there, and the school accounts debited with this expenditure. The crowded entries in the school accounts on March 31, 1948, see the advances received by him. He spends them off and on, takes further advances, continues to spend them and renders account to the school on the last day of the financial year, either by way of repairs to existing buildings, or new constructions, or by way of repairs to old furniture or purchase of new furniture. Several thousands have been spent on building repairs or new construction or purchase or repairs to furniture from 1931 onwards, but in no case tenders have been called for. The works have all been executed by the Secretary under

under his supervision and paid for by him. Where no proper expenditure could be found, a lump sum such as the last entry on pp.110 of the school accounts for 1947-48 is entered. Enclosure 11 is the item referred to. It is a consolidated stamped voucher for Rs.240/- given by the Secretary for expenses incurred by him towards the bandy charges and other miscellaneous items from 1-4-47 to 31-3-48. Strangely enough this voucher was accepted by the Auditor. Another example: Independence Day took place on 15-8-1947, but the expenditure relating to the celebration of the Day is debited to the school accounts on 31-3-48. There are several other items of expenditure during the course of financial year, but debited to the school only on 31-3-48.

On 18-11-48, the accounts of the school show an amount of Rs.6699-10-8 as advances outstanding in the name of the Secretary. (Enclosure 10).

Not satisfied with the advances received by him from the school accounts, the Secretary draws advances from the Games Account of the school with which he should have no connection. He has taken several advances from this account also and has given a voucher No.55 on 31-3-48 detailing the expenditure met out of the advances so received. Cleaning of playgrounds, supply of red soil, sports expenses, removing scrap and sundry, bandy charges, removal of rails and gravel from playgrounds have consumed a round sum of Rs.521-2-0 from the games account. The voucher relating to this item though entered in the school account, was not forthcoming till the last day of the inspection, but produced for scrutiny only on 22-11-48. A scrutiny of this voucher makes one suspect that the sub-vouchers relating to the main voucher were got manufactured hurriedly in the meanwhile as is evidenced by the fact that the Secretary has admitted these vouchers on 31-3-48 whereas the dates in respect of the following sub-vouchers were of a later date though they relate to the year 1947-48:

Subvoucher No.	Date of admission by Secretary.	Date of voucher.
4 (Rs.37/-)	31-3-48.	25-8-48.
5 (Rs.7/8/-)	31-3-48.	20-8-48.
7 (Rs.55/-)	31-3-48.	10-8-48 altered as 10-8-47.

The main and sub-vouchers are enclosed as Enclosure 12. It may also be mentioned that the Auditor has not initialled this voucher as he has done in the case of other vouchers. How the amount was admitted by the Auditor without the perusal of the voucher is not clear.

Apart from the allegations detailed above, the following further remarks are offered with reference to other irregularities noticed during the inspection as these bear a relation to the method adopted by the Secretary in dealing with the several accounts of the school. Though definite instructions have been issued for the maintenance of separate accounts for the Games fees collected and the fees collected for Visual Education, and though the Correspondent has been instructed at successive inspections about these, he has not cared to adopt the instructions.

During 1947-48, an amount of Rs.4318-14-0 was collected under 'Games fees' and an amount of Rs.2218/- during 1948-49 till 18-11-48 on several dates, but on none of those days the fees collected have been deposited in the Post Office Savings Bank account opened for the purpose. On the other hand, the amounts were merged in the school accounts and the expenditure under games were shown in the latter account. School account shows a debit entry to the games account.

Enclosure 13 would show the amounts collected under games in 1947-48 and 1948-49 (till 18-11-48) and the amounts transferred from the school account towards expenditure on games on several dates.

Enclosure 14 gives similar particulars in respect of the Visual Education collections.

Enclosure 15 details the advances made over to the Secretary from the games account and adjusted on 31-3-48.

In the inspection report of the school for 1947-48 it has been definitely remarked that the members of the Governing Body of the school should not hold any office on the Games Committee. This has not been heeded to.

College Accounts:--

The Governing Body initiated a proposal to raise the school into a College in 1945 and they raised donations for the purpose. The accounts relating to this College fund were called for, but were not made available till 22-11-48 when a note-book purporting to contain the transactions was produced. Though receipts were printed for acknowledgement of the donations, no receipts were issued. It is not therefore possible to correctly state whether the accounts exhibit the true state of affairs. The amounts collected as per entries in this account came up to Rs.3815/- and this was not deposited in a separate account in any bank but was mixed up with the Society's Bank account. The incidental expenses relating to the collection are shown as Rs.106-12-0 and there is still a balance of Rs.311/- yet to be refunded even as per the accounts maintained.

The school maintains so far known and produced

- (a) Kalyanasunderam High School Educational Society Account.
- (b) School Account.
- (c) Nana Tawker Endowment Account.
- (d) College Fund account.
- (e) Book-stall account.
- (f) Games fund account.
- (g) Visual Education account.

Each account pays to, and receives from, the other when there is no need to do so. The transactions are all complicated and one has to spend a lot of time to find out the correct state of affairs.

Though the school can be considered as a surplus school in view of the huge fee collections at rates of fees far above the standard rates, and though the school

school is situated in the heart of the town with all facilities required for an ideal school, yet it is a pity it is at present indebted to the extent of Rs.23,868-6-1--vide details in Enclosure 16.

Before further action is taken, it is necessary that the Correspondent is given an opportunity to offer his explanation on the several irregularities detailed above. A draft letter to the Secretary on the subject is enclosed for your approval.

I may also mention that the Auditor who audited the accounts of the school does not appear to have discharged his duties in the manner he should have done.

The enclosures received with the several endorsements and demi-official letters are resubmitted herewith.

District Educational Officer,
Tanjore.

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Advance Copy submitted to the Director of Public Instruction, Madras.

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Secretary, E. & P.H.

Mr. P. Venkatrama Ayyar, M.L.A. ^{is} was just now talking to me about a great deal of mismanagement that is going on in the Kalyanasundaram High School, Tanjore. I think we had received representations previously over which we ordered enquiries to be made. The D.P.I. may be asked to put up those papers.

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From the P.P.J. Rec. No. 917 Es/47 d/24.1.48.

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The P.P.J. is requested to state whether there are ^{any} ~~previous papers~~ ^{in this office} in regard to the enlargement of the School Society as proposed by the Advocate General in 1946 and the institution of the Nara Tawter Scholarship Endowment and if so to furnish the records for the period of 90 years at a very early date. The Director is also requested to report whether any such irregularities were brought to notice previously and if so what orders were passed thereon.

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High School Tanjore - Alleged mismanagement

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Petition from Sri R. Subramanian Tanjore d 29.12.48
From the DPJ Doc. 917 D2/47 3 24.1.49

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Memo No. 65593 B. 1/48-4 Edn d/ 4.3.49.

The DPJ is requested to instruct the DEO
Tanjore to lay the papers with a complaint before
the local police so that they may investigate
and lay a charge in due course. In the meantime
the Director is requested to consider whether he
cannot arrange to have the Secretary & Treasurer
removed and the governing body expanded

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To
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High School Tanjore - 1943-44

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The 29th is requested to be kept as a day of rest for the purpose of a complete day for the school in the year 1943-44 and a change in the course of the school is requested to be made in the year 1943-44. The school is requested to be kept as a day of rest for the purpose of a complete day for the school in the year 1943-44 and a change in the course of the school is requested to be made in the year 1943-44.

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TELEPHONIC MESSAGE. PC

From D.P. I To The Secy Lt PH

Sub Grant - Teaching & Kalyana Sundaram High School Tanjore for 1947-48

Kindly see my letter.

Re No. 9170, dated 1/11/47 dt 24/1/49

My the affairs of K.H. School Tanjore & let me know as early as possible whether it is desirable to sanction the Teaching grant due to the school for 47-48. The school is eligible for the a grant of Rs 24446 including an advance of Rs 8000 already paid.

Please write on both sides.

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Post Copy of Telephonic Message dated 28-2-49.

From 28 08

The Director of Public Instruction,
Madras.

To

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

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Sub:-- Grant--Teaching--Kalyanasundaram High school, Tanjore
for 1947-48. p294 of L.F.

Kindly see my letter RC No. 917 D3/47 dated 24-1-49
regarding the affairs of the Kalyanasundaram High school, Tanjore
and let me know as early as possible whether it is desirable to
sanction the teaching grant due to the school for 1947-48. The
school is eligible for a grant of Rs. 24,446 excluding an advance
of Rs. 8,000/- already paid.

M. S. Srinivasan
for DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION.

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From

The Secretary Edm & P.H. Deptt.

To

The D.P.G.

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Adm
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Ref. of your T.M. d/28.2.49 regarding
sanctioning of the teaching grant due
to the Kalyana Sundaram High School, Tanjore,
for 1947-48.

There is no objection to your sanctioning ^{in the current year} the
teaching grant due to the Kalyana Sundaram High School,
Tanjore for the year 1947-48 - ~~1947-48~~

[P.T.O.]

Rec.917 D3/48

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

From

The Director of Public Instruction,
Madras.

The Secretary to Government,
Education & Public Health Department.

Sir,

Schools -- Secondary -- Aided -- Irregularities
Kalyanasundaram High School, Tanjore -- Action
against management -- Payment of grant for
1947-48.

Ref: Government Memo. No.65593 B1/48-4-Education
dated 4.3.1949.

2. Post copy of T.M. from Government dated 3.3.49.

In my telephonic message to Government dated 28.2.49
I enquired whether in view of the unsatisfactory state of
things, it was desirable to sanction the teaching grant for
the year 1947-48 on behalf of Kalyanasundaram High school,
Tanjore and in their T.M. by post dated 3.3.1949 Government
said that there was no objection. Accordingly the balance
of teaching grant of Rs.24,446/- was sanctioned in my Dis.
P.176 D2/48-49 dated 7.3.49 in favour of Sri T.N. Kumara-
swami Davey, the correspondent of the school. In view of
the developments subsequent to my letter Re.No.917 D3/48-1
dated 24.1.1949, Sri Davey is reported to have submitted a
proposal to change the correspondentship in favour of one
Sri Kandaswami Pillai. The District Educational Officer,
therefore, enquires whether he may in view of the present
circumstances approve the change.

I may mention, in this connection, that the Divisional
Inspector, Mathurai has already been asked to frame suitable
charges against the correspondent and the persons concerned
and to submit his recommendations after observing the
formalities, with a view to taking action under Rule 99(A)
of the M.E.R. The Correspondent's explanation and reply
of the Management are reported to be still awaited. In
accordance with Government Memo. No.65593 B1/48 dated
4.3.49, instructions have also been issued for taking
necessary action for purposes of police investigation etc.

In consideration of the fact that police action has
been arranged to be launched and action under rule 99(A) of
the M.E.R. is also pending, I consider that it will not be
safe to entrust a further sum of Rs.24,446/- by way of
grant into the hands of the existing Correspondent, who is,
incidentally, also reported to be an adjudged insolvent.
(Sri Davey). The proposal to approve of the transfer
of correspondentship in favour of Sri Kandaswami Pillai,
thereby enabling him to draw the teaching grant, does not
also appear to be feasible at this stage, as action under
rule 99 (A) M.E.R. proposed against Sri Kumaraswami Davey
would thus stand nullified, once he got relieved of his
post.

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Note Please see the P.C. of the T.M. d/28-2-49 from the D.P.I.
at p3 of. It is proposed to instruct the D.E.O. Tanjore to file
a complaint against the Secretary and Treasurer of the Kalyana-
sundaram High School, Tanjore, before the local police, so that
they may investigate and lay a charge in due course. The D.P.I.
will also be requested to consider whether the Secretary and Treasurer
may be removed from office. In view of this the steps proposed
to be taken, it is submitted that the sanctioning of the teaching
grant due to the school need not be objected to. The Director has

not recommended that the grant should be withheld.
If this is done, it will cripple the finances of the institution &
the management may resort to closing the school from
the next school year if it considers that the institution

cannot be run without govt aid. Further the teachers may be put to hardship if the
teaching grant due for 1947-48 is now withheld.

For order as to the issue of the draft order.

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Office of the
Director of Public Instruction,
Madras, 18th March, 1949.

POSTAL DEPT.

The Director of Public Instruction,
Madras.

The Secretary to Government,
Education & Public Health Department.

Schools -- Secondary -- Madras -- Government
Talukamangalam High School, Talukamangalam
Talukamangalam -- Payment of Grant for
1948-49.

Post Government Memo, No. 8532, Dated 18.3.49
Dated 18.3.49
S. Post copy of T.M. from Government dated 18.3.49.

In my telephone message to Government dated 18.3.49, I mentioned that in view of the urgent necessity of the Government to transfer the grant for the year 1948-49 on behalf of Talukamangalam High School, Talukamangalam, to the Government, I had no objection to the Government's proposal to transfer the grant to the Government. The Government's proposal to transfer the grant to the Government is in accordance with the Government's policy of transferring the grant to the Government. The Government's proposal to transfer the grant to the Government is in accordance with the Government's policy of transferring the grant to the Government.

I may mention, in this connection, that the Director, Talukamangalam, has already been asked to transfer the grant to the Government. The Government's proposal to transfer the grant to the Government is in accordance with the Government's policy of transferring the grant to the Government. The Government's proposal to transfer the grant to the Government is in accordance with the Government's policy of transferring the grant to the Government.

In the continuation of the fact that the Government has been asked to transfer the grant to the Government, I may mention that the Government's proposal to transfer the grant to the Government is in accordance with the Government's policy of transferring the grant to the Government. The Government's proposal to transfer the grant to the Government is in accordance with the Government's policy of transferring the grant to the Government.

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I therefore write to enquire whether it would be desirable to approve of the transfer of correspondentship in favour of Sri Kandaswami Pillai at this stage. Government may also be pleased to reconsider their orders regarding the release of the grant in the circumstances explained above. As March is drawing to a close, immediate orders may kindly be passed.

Minister
for Director of Public Instruction

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of below is summary of the contents of the letter to the Director of Public Instruction, Madras, dated 14.12.48, in which it is stated that the Government of Madras has decided to transfer the correspondence of the Kalyanasundaram High School, Tanjore, to the new correspondent in favour of Sri Kandaswami Pillai. Payment of teaching grant for 1947-8 to the new correspondent is also being made.

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For Director of Public Instruction

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From the DP 2, No. 917 D3/48, 16.3.49

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Memo. 65593 B1/49-5 d/23-3-49.

The DP 2 is informed that if Sri V.C. Kandaswami Pillai is a trustworthy man, the Correspondence of the Kalyanasundaram High School, Tanjore, may be allowed to be transferred to him and the teaching grant due for 1947-8 may be disbursed after the change is effected in the Correspondence.

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of the school. If there is sufficient evidence against
the previous correspondent, proceedings may be started
against him.

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To The D.P.D.

EDUCATION DEPARTMENT

From

The Director of Public Instruction,
Madras.

To

The Secretary To Government,
Education and Public Health Department,
Madras.



ROC. No. 474 D3/49 dated 21--6--1949.

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Sir,

Sub:-- KALYANASUNDARAM HIGH SCHOOL, TANJORE - Action against
the Headmaster.

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With reference to Government Memo. No. 65593 B1/48 -4 Edn.,
dated 4-3-1949 the Police are investigating into the alleged mis-
management of the Kalyanasundaram High school, Tanjore and their
report is awaited. In the meanwhile, the services of Headmaster
of the school have been dispensed with on 19-5-1949 with 3 months'
pay in lieu of notice. The Headmaster has submitted an appeal and
sought departmental protection. Especially when Police investigation
into the mismanagement of the school is proceeding, the action of
the management in having suddenly terminated the services of the
Headmaster who according to the District Educational Officer was
useful in bringing out the irregularities cannot be viewed without
suspicion. Considering the injustice done to the Headmaster, who
has put in long service, by this abrupt termination of service,
I have issued orders advising the management to reinstate him
forthwith and this action I have taken in the belief that I am
within my powers.

I request that Government may kindly approve my action in
this regard. I should however draw Government's attention to
their orders in G.O. No. Ms. 1459, Edn., dated 10-5-1949 in the
case of Mahajana High school, Erode. I have presumed that the
stand taken there was determined by the absence of an agreement.
In this case, I may state that the revised agreement has been
entered into and I have assumed that this gives me the right to
order reinstatement on an appeal like that of the Headmaster's.

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Yours faithfully,

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For DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION.

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Schools - Secondary - Aided - Kalyanasundaram High School, Tanjore - Reinstatement of headmaster - Action of the D.P.S. - Approved - Amendments to the draft form of agreement - called for.

From the D.P.S. Res. No. 474 Ds/49 d/21.6.49.

Memo No 65593 B, 48-7 Edn d/25-7-49.

The Govt approve the action of the D.P.S. in having issued orders advising the management of the Kalyanasundaram High School, Tanjore, to reinstate the headmaster forthwith.
In this connection the Govt have considered
2) the question whether the D.P.S. has any
right to interfere even where agreements have been entered into in the prescribed form ~~examined~~.

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~~this connection and it is noticed that the agreement in its present form does not provide for such interferences, it is considered necessary to incorporate the provisions of the instructions given at the end of the form prescribed as the instructions in the agreement itself.~~

~~do not form part of the agreement. The Director is therefore requested to submit necessary amendments to the form of agreement prescribed in G.O. No MS 2406 Edn d/ 7-11-47 so as to incorporate the provisions of the instructions and other necessary provisions in the agreement itself.~~

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To
The S. P. I.

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Madras, 18th July 1949.

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ASST. SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT
S. Krishnaswami Iyer
10 JUL 1949
TANJORE.

The Director of Public Instruction

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I have a strong suspicion that the Committee K. H. School, Tanjore, is delaying to give effect to your orders reinstating me as Headmaster in order that the Police Investigation now going on may become fruitless and that facts about them may not be brought to light. In the interest of justice, in aid of a big institution and in view of the facts submitted by me I humbly request you to pass orders asking the Committee to give immediate effect to your Proceedings R.C.No.474-D3/49 dated 21-6-'49 reinstating me as Headmaster, K. H. School, Tanjore.

Yours faithfully,
S. Krishnaswami Iyer

Copy submitted to:
" The Secretary of Education and Health,
Government of Madras, Fort St. George, Madras.
" Divisional Inspector of Schools, Mathurai Division,
Mathurai.
" The District Educational Officer, Tanjore.

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~~The letter overleaf is addressed only a copy of and the original has been~~

The petition overleaf is only a copy of a communication addressed to the D.P.S who will take necessary action on the original. This may be added to the main file on the subject.

22/7/49
23-7-49

From

S.Rm. Ramanathan Chettiar, M.L.C.,

Ramnad House,

Tanjore.

To

The Honourable Minister for Education,

Fort saint George,

M A D R A S.

Honoured Sir,

Sub:- Kalyanasundaram High School, Tanjore.

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I was the President of the above Institution from the year 1931 to 1947. It was one of the very popular, best managed and efficient institution in the Presidency. During the year 1947, I had to be absent at Madras due to my private affairs and the administration of the school was in the hands of the Secretary Mr. Kumaraswami Davai and Treasurer Mr. A.B. Viswanatha Iyer and it seems there were some discrepancies in the discharge of their duties. It was then that Mr. A.Y. Arulanandaswami Nadar, a very respectable and philanthropic gentleman of the town was made the President and he took keen interest in the administration and began to check everything personally. Then it seems that the Treasurer Mr. A.B. Viswanatha Iyer was seriously ill and confessed his faults to Mr. A.Y. Arulanandaswami Nadar and also resigned, and again the Secretary also was found to resign after the scrutiny of accounts by a Committee. Subsequently Mr. L.S.M. Kandaswami Pillai and Mr. B.N. Subbaier, two respectable persons of the place were made Secretary and Treasurer respectively, and the working of the school was going on very smoothly.

pp 66-91 (in original)
sent to D.P.G.



At this stage it was revealed that the Headmaster Sri S. Krishnaswami Iyer, who was found to be unfit to be Headmaster during previous occasion, was hand in glove with the Secretary and Treasurer, but found to plead innocence on all counts even when he was caught red handed. So the Management in time thought it advisable to remove him also so that they can renew ~~him~~ with a clean slate, framed charges against him and dispensed with his services constitutionally. But to everybody's utter amazement the Department authorities are unnecessarily interfering into the internal administration of the institution which is a privately ~~run~~ managed one where any assistant or Headmaster is appointed on contract herein, and the Director of Public Instruction has given orders to reinstate ~~him~~ the Headmaster for reasons best known to himself and the Management I understand, rightly is determined not to take him back in view of his gross misconduct and in-efficiency etc. This constitution, I should like to point out that there are ^{and} a set of persons whom I can call selfish/~~or~~ idle, who are always trying to create some trouble or other to over-throw the Management even from my days with the narrow mindedness that such a big institution is being well managed by a set of Non-brahmans with myself, Rao Bahadur A.Y. Arulanandaswami Nadar, Sri L.S.M. Kandaswami Pillai and others.

So I request, as one interested in the institution who knows full facts of the case from beginning to end, to call for the paper from the Departmental authorities and to advise them to drop all further proceedings, so that the school may go on smoothly working without any hindrance. I feel proud to say that the Institution is today about 2000 strong. This is the record strength since its commencement.

I request that ~~him~~ in the interest of justice and fair play early orders may be passed directing the Educational Department authorities to drop all further proceedings against the present management and also advise the Director of Public Instruction

Instruction, Madras not to press for the reinstatement of the
Ex.-Headmaster Sri S. Krishnaswami Iyer, who I am sure will
certainly do mischief and mar the progress of the institution.

Thanking you in anticipation,

Yours faithfully,

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S. R. Ramaswami Iyer
2-8-49

Encls:- 14 sheets -

Dated 2nd AUGUST, 1949.

From

Sri Rao Bahadur A.Y. Arulanandaswami Nadar,
President,
Kalyanasundaram High School Educational Society,
Tanjore.

To

The Hon'ble Minister for Education,
Fort Saint George,
M A D R A S.

Sir,

Sub:- Kalyanasundaram High School, Tanjore - Sri S.
Krishnaswami Iyer, Ex-Headmaster - termination of
services - orders requested -Ref:- Proceedings of the Director of Public Instruction,
Madras Roc.No.474-D3/49 dated 26-7-49.

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In enclosing herewith the copy of the above, I wish to bring to your kind notice the following facts for your kind consideration and orders.

Sri S. Krishnaswami Iyer, late Headmaster of the school was framed charges for negligence of duty, misappropriation and misbehaviour, etc. and his services were terminated after careful consideration of his explanations. The copies of charges framed against him and the explanations of the Headmaster and the proceedings of the Governing Body dated 19-5-49 are enclosed herewith for your kind perusal. The Headmaster was paid 3 months pay in lieu of the three months notice as per contract. The amount was accepted by him and he was relieved on 19-5-49. On this it seems the late Headmaster has appealed to the Director of Public Instruction, Madras for his reinstatement and the Director of Public Instruction without calling for the remarks of the Governing Body has advised the Governing Body in his Proceedings No. R.C.No.474-D3/49 dated 21-6-49 to reinstate him forthwith. (Vide copy enclosed) On this the Director of

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was

Public Instruction, Madras informed of the full facts of case stating that the action of the Governing Body in having terminated the services of Sri.S. Krishnaswami Iyer as Headmaster. was in order and constitutional. In spite of our letter dated 5-7-49 (Copy enclosed) the Director has not considered the facts of the case with full justice and has ordered again to reinstatement^e the Headmaster. In this connection it is submitted that the Governing Body have terminated the services of the Headmaster in the interest of the school and also after full consideration of the facts. From a perusal of the correspondence it will be seen that there are no grounds ~~for~~ for the reinstatement of the Headmaster as ordered by the Director of Public Instruction, Madras. ~~Thnx~~

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The General Body also at its meetings held on 25.6.49 has approved the action of the Governing Body in having terminated the services of Sri S. Krishnaswami Iyer which was done in the interest of the institution and also to maintain the prestige of the Management.

Under the above circumstances I request the Honourable Minister to review the whole case impartially and issue orders directing the Director of Public Instruction to cancel his orders passed for reinstatement of the Headmaster.

I have the honour to be ,
Honoured Sir ,

Your most obedient servant,

J. Y. Arulanantham
Nadar
PRESIDENT.

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MEMO:

R.C.No.290 K.H.S.E.S., Tanjore

Dated 2nd May, 1949.

After the election of Rao Bahadur Arulanandaswamy Nadar as the President of the Governing Body, Kalyanasundaram High School E.S. Tanjore, he made enquiries of the financial position of the school. In the meanwhile the Headmaster informally gave the Committee to understand that the Dt. Educational Officer inspected the School, called for the Accounts, took away some of the books and ~~xxxxxx~~ recorded statements from the Headmaster etc. As the Treasurer Mr. A.B. Viswanatha Iyer (Since deceased) was seriously ill the President could not get a full picture of the financial position and therefore he deputed two or three friends of his, to visit the Treasurer in his sick bed to get necessary information of the school affairs. Eventually during the visit of the President to the Treasurer on 2.12.48 the latter gave him Rs.3,075/- with the information that the Headmaster would be able to give him the necessary details to adjust the amount to different accounts. In view of the information given by Mr.A.B. Viswanatha Iyer since ~~xx~~ deceased the Headmaster admitted in the Committee meeting that as he was maintaining the Cash Book it was a mistake on his part ~~xxxx~~ in not having brought the irregularities in the Accounts to the notice of the Managing Committee earlier. In this connection the Headmaster disclosed that there were some advances also to the Secretary and Correspondent. Subsequently the Divl. Inspector of Schools, Mathurai Division, Mathurai, in his letter No.R.C.615-Para B/48 dated 3-3-49, called upon the President to explain the under-mentioned irregularities in the Accounts - (Vide Extracts) :-

"Advances to the Treasurer from the School Funds"

Advances to the extent of Rs.4254-2-7 in 47-48 and Rs.7100/- in 48-49 were made to the Treasurer from the school accounts. The purpose for which such advances were made to the Treasurer who has no executive functions connected with the school is not clear. It is not also apparent whether the advances were drawn under proper authorisation from Management.

*Kalyanasundaram High School Educational Society's Accounts:-

The accounts of the Kalyanasundaram High School Educational Society maintained by the Treasurer show that there was cash balance of Rs.6347-14-9 on 31-3-1947 but the opening balance on 1-4-47 was shown as Rs.6000/- only. The difference of Rs.347-14-9 has not been accounted for.

*Advances to the Secretary:-

During the year 1947-48 an advance of Rs.2224-4-0 and during 1948-49 ~~Rx.7199-10-8~~ Rs.7199-10-8 were made to the secretary on various dates. It is seen that accounts are not rendered for the several advances then there but only at the end of the financial year, e.g. (a) a consolidated voucher for Rs.240/- for the several journeys by bandy performed during the whole year 1947-48 was given on 31-3-48. (b) the amount spent on Independence Day celebrations on 15-8-47 was debited to the school accounts only 31-3-48. There are several other such cases also.

On 18-11-48, the accounts of the school show an amount of Rs.6699-10-8 as advances outstanding with the secretary. It is not clear why amounts were not drawn as and when they are needed and accounts rendered immediately instead of drawing advances and keeping them with the secretary and rendering accounts at the end of the year. No steps were taken by the Management to regulate the advances made over to the Secretary.

"Games accounts" :- In the Inspection report of the School for 1947-48 it was remarked that the members of the Governing Body of the school should ~~be~~ not hold any office on the Games Committee. This has not been heeded to. It is seen that

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that the secretary draws advances from the Games accounts also and adjusts them on 31st March. Voucher No.55 for a consolidated amount of Rs.521-2-0 is an instance in point. There are several ~~discrepancies~~ sub vouchers for this voucher No.55 and there are several discrepancies in these sub vouchers as pointed out below:--

No.	Amount	Date of admission	Date of Voucher.
4.	Rs.37-0-0	31-3-48	25-8-48
5.	" 7-8-0	31-3-48	20-8-48
6.	" 55-0-0	31-3-48	10-8-48
			changed as 10-8-47.

During the year 1947-48 an amount of Rs.4318-14-0 was collected under games fees and an amount of Rs.2218/- in 1948-49 upto 10-11-48 but no amount was deposited in Post Office Savings Bank Account opened for the purpose. The Games Committee did not function and the Secretary was administering the fund in contravention of the rules.

Book Stall Account

It is found that entries in the book stall accounts were made at a stretch from 23-12-47 to May 1948 only, even on the inspection of the school on 17-11-48 that the Cheque book and pass-book relating to the accounts are not kept with the person maintaining the accounts, that the Secretary of the School is the Treasurer of the Book Stall and operates on the accounts and that he sends the details of income and expenditure after long intervals for entering in the accounts.

The book stall accounts have not been audited as required by the rules for the year 1947-48.

The audit fees for the previous years have not been paid yet.

Remuneration for the person running the Bookstall has not been paid for several years.

The General Body of the Book stall Society has not met after 6-11-40.

A sum of Rs.200/- out of the profits earned has not been made over to the school for the award of prizes as required by the byelaws of the Bookstall Society.

A cheque for Rs.1000/- for the purpose ostensibly for payment to Companies was drawn from the bookstall accounts by the Treasurer of the bookstall in favour of the Headmaster on 2-7-48. This amount was not utilised for the purpose for which it was drawn but was entered in the account as to the Treasurer of the school. This amount is still due to the bookstall. It may be stated why the drawal of the amount was shown as for payment to companies in the cheque book when it was actually intended for the private use of the Treasurer of the School and no payments were made to the Companies.

II. On 4-2-49 the Treasurer of the school Mr.B.N. Subbaier made a complaint to the Secretary, K.H.S.E.S., Tanjore about the alleged misbehaviour of the Headmaster towards him. He stated in his letter to the Secretary that while perusing the accounts he made a casual enquiry about his (Headmaster's) work at which the Headmaster flew into a passion and began shouting at him using all sorts of objectionable language. In this course of his misbehaviour the Headmaster was reported to have used objectionable language casting aspersions on the Committee Members. The allegations of Mr.B.N. Subbaier, Treasurer about the misbehaviour of the Headmaster subsequently were corroborated by Mr.V. DAMODARAM, Head clerk, K.H.S. and three others. On receipt of this complaint the Governing Body appointed a Sub-Committee to enquire into the allegations. The Sub-Committee thus constituted issued a notice

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IV. It has further been represented by the Staff that the Headmaster is not treating them properly, that he is not giving them proper guidance in school matters and that by his attitude and behaviour he is not giving them such treatment as becoming a responsible head of the Institution.

(1) That he failed to bring to the notice of the Governing Body the mal-practices of which he was aware of, of the late Treasurer Mr.A.B. Viswanatha Iyer and Ex.Secretary and Correspondent Mr.T.N. Kumaraswami Davai in respect of the money belonging to the school and thereby apparently connived in their illegal actions.

(2) That, being the sole authority and Custodian of the Games and Bookstall funds of the school he irregularly maintained the cash accounts, specially in respect of a drawal of Rs.1000/-, apparently misused the money of the funds entrusted to him.

(3) That, he on the 4-2-49, behaved in an unbecoming manner towards Mr. Subbaier, Treasurer, who is a responsible Office bearer of the Institution and that in the course of his misbehaviour towards the latter used objectionable language casting aspersions on the other members of the Governing Body.

(4) That, he failed to respond to the calls of the Sub-Committee lawfully appointed by the Governing Body to enquire into the allegations made against him by the Treasurer. But absent himself from the meetings in spite of the special notices served on him and thereby apparently defied the authority of the Governing Body.

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- (5) That, he initiated unauthorised and unwarranted correspondence with the Educational Authorities (D.P.I.) in respect of the teaching grant for 1947-48 without the knowledge of the Governing Body of the school which is the properly constituted authority for such matters.
- (6) That, he failed to co-operate with the staff and discharge his duties befitting his position as Headmaster of the school

Mr.S. KRISHNASWAMI IYER, Headmaster, Kalyanasundaram High School, Tanjore is hereby called upon to explain the above Charges within 7 days from the receipt of this MEMO and to show cause why his services should not be dispensed with. If he desires a personal hearing he should intimate his wishes while submitting his explanation. If he does not submit his explanation within the stipulated period the case will be decided on its merits.

A copy of this MEMO is issued to Mr.S.

Krishnaswami Iyer, Headmaster, Kalyanasundaram High School, Tanjore, for information and necessary action.

Sd/-L.S.M. Kandaswami Pillai,

Secretary & Correspondent.
Kalyanasundaram High School,, Tanjore.

/True copy/

Sd/-A. V. Anandaraman
Kedar
20/8/49
President.

Tanjore,
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From S. Krishnaswami Iyer, B.A., L.T.,
Headmaster,
Kalyanasundaram High School,
Tanjore.

To Sri L.S.M. Kandaswami Pillai,
Secretary & Correspondent,
Kalyanasundaram High School,
Tanjore.

Sir,

Ref:-- Your R.C.No.290/K.H.S.E.S. Tanjore dated 2nd May, 1949
received at 10-30 A.M. on 4-5-49.

INTRODUCTION.

The Headmaster was not aware of the enquiries made by the President into the financial conditions of the school. Only during the inspection of the school the Headmaster became aware of gross irregularities for the first time. He ran up to the President of the School Committee and told him what took place in the inspection. It was news for the President. I have got documents with me to show that the ex-Secretary was the only person who could give the necessary details to adjust the amount got from the Ex-Treasurer under different accounts. The Ex-Treasurer could not have given the information alleged to have been given by him, as he and the Ex-Secretary alone were in know of things. The Headmaster was not maintaining the cash book; but only having the custody of it.

CHARGE NO.1.

I shall now proceed to answer the charges. I was made Headmaster in 1945. Taking advances, a practice started and sanctioned by the Committee's resolutions and fully availed of by the Ex-Secretary who took heavy sums as advances from all sources throughout the year, existed as early as 1939, as is disclosed by the advance register kept in the school. The word 'connive' used in this context cannot be applied with ixix to me but to other quarters. As this is known to the Committee and has its sanction, there has been no need for me to draw its particular attention.

CHARGE NO.2.

Premises of this charge are against all facts. I deny that I am the sole authority and custodian of the Games and Book stall funds of the school. Resolutions of the managing committee and directives of the school would show that the ex-secretary and ex-treasurer were in complete charge of the administration of Games fund contrary to departmental rules. There is no point in showing the responsibility on the Headmaster, when these facts were brought to the notice of the Committee in the inspection reports. In spite of repeated requests by myself to the Secretary and the Committee the Games fund continued to be mixed up with the general funds. Vouchers given by the ex-secretary year after year for expenses ranging from that for cleaning a part of the playground to that for arranging the school sports show how helpless the Headmaster and the Games committee were.

As in the case of the Games fund I was only nominally the secretary of the book-stall not operating upon its funds nor

maintaining the accounts. The ex-secretary of the school as president and treasurer of the bookstall was keeping with him pass-books and cheque books relating to the accounts and if he during his regular evening visits to the school were pleased to give accounts, the Headclerk would jot down them. So, facilities were given to maintain the book stall accounts and Games accounts. This was made known to the District Educational Officer during his inspection by the Headclerk and assistant in charge of the Bookstall. Though cheques were issued in the name of the Headmaster, he was never allowed even to see the money drawn.

There are documents with the department to prove that I had nothing to do with the Rs.1000/- mentioned in the charge except my usual signature on the back of the cheque. That it was not used for the purpose for which it was drawn and that the sum was given to ~~Treasurer~~ ex-treasurer as advance was known to me only during the inspection. The headclerk during the inspection told the District Educational Officer, that the ex-Secretary had directed him to write that amount in the bookstall account as advance to the Treasurer. This fact was corroborated by the repayment of that amount in two instalments. First instalment Rs.550/- and second instalment --Rs.450/---.

It must be repeated again that the ex-secretary was the president and Treasurer of the bookstall and the ex-treasurer and the ex-secretary were the President and Vice-President of the Games Committee. As the premises were contrary to facts the conclusions based upon them are all false.

CHARGES NO.3 & No.4.

The rest of the charges are as easily answered. I have already submitted my explanation on the subject of allegation by the present Treasurer against me. The Head clerk and other clerks ~~xxx~~ have told me that their statement is the same as my version though I find in the charges that the allegations of Mr.B.N. Subba iyer were corroborated by the clerks.

My presence in the Sub-Committee meetings could not have contributed anything towards the solution of the question, as I had and have nothing to say beyond the explanation already offered. I feel I have acted wisely in not wasting your time by attending meetings. Further the packed nature of the meetings and the frequent taunts that I had betrayed the committee and that I had connived did not allow my self respect to attend the meetings after 30--1--1949.

CHARGE NO. 5

The plight of the staff whose payment did not depend upon a settled policy for some six months affected me very much, Their constant questions as to when they could ~~xx~~ get their pay their disappointment day after day and their requests oral and written that I ~~must~~ make arrangements for the disbursements on the first day of every month and the utter indifference of the committee to all my efforts and pleadings convinced me that there was no alternative but to take the matter at the opportune time to the ultimate authority. That my step has been considered wise and sound by the Government can readily be understood from the fact that the Government got from the committee an undertaking. It is therefore clear that the correspondence was neither unauthorized nor unwarranted. A copy has been sent to you simultaneously with my letter to the Director of Public Instruction, Madras. Therefore the committee had full knowledge of the correspondence for me the interests of the school and staff are supreme, when I am absolutely convinced of the soundness of my step in the interest of the school and staff. I feel I require no consultation or advice from any quarter.

There has been all along a hearty and close co-operation between the staff and myself. This co-operation has been appreciated by the District Educational Officer, Tanjore who at the end of the inspection remarked that everything was alright on the academic side. On the face of this observation of the District Educational Officer, this remark of the committee is not only frivolous but unwarranted and invented for the occasion. The very basis is topsy turvey as I have heard only of the staff co-operating with the Headmaster.

CONCLUSION

It is sad ~~that~~ and painful to think that the official careers of my predecessors in the Headmaster's chair have been similar at your hands. May I think that the fates will not again conspire and history not repeat itself. As result of our relations I am afraid that a state of steady allround deterioration may set in affecting the entire tone and discipline of the school which it may be beyond our power later on to rectify fully. As an experienced teacher of 30 years standing kindly permit me to point out the serious consequences of the same. Mutual esteem and co-operation on the part of the Headmaster and the committee and freedom for the Headmaster to do his legitimate duties for the purpose of promoting the efficiency of the school in all spheres will go a long way towards setting things right. Even after the new contract the Headmaster of a big institution like this continues to be a mere ~~figure~~ figure head as before. That he has never been admitted into the ~~board~~ counsels of the secretary for discussing question of finance has proved to be a great tragedy. As the ~~subject~~ subject matter of these charges against me is the subject matter of the charges against the management by the Government and as these ~~charges~~ charges are showed on me vicariously I request you to proceed cautiously in this matter and stay your hands till the result of the investigation by the Department is made known.

I venture to state that I have done nothing to hang down my head before God or man.

Yours faithfully,
Sd/-S. Krishnaswami Iyer,
9-5-49.
Headmaster.

Copy submitted to the Director of Public Instruction, Madras
Copy submitted to the Divisional Inspector of School, Mathurai
Division, Mathurai.
Copy submitted to the District Educational Officer, Tanjore.

/True copy/

A. Y. Arulandaram
Nadar
President. 2/8/49

PROCEEDINGS.

R.C.No.290 K.H.S.E.S./49 Tanjore, Dated 19th May, '49.

1. Read - Memo of charges R.C.No.290 K.H.S.E.S. dated 2nd May '49 furnished to Mr.S. Krishnaswami Iyer, Headmaster, Kalyanasundaram high school Tanjore.
2. Explanation dated 9-5-'49 of Mr.S. Krishnaswamy Iyer, Headmaster, Kalyanasundaram High School, Tanjore.
3. Other connected papers.

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The facts of the case leading to the furnishing of Memo of charges to Mr.S.Krishnaswamy Iyer, Headmaster, Kalyanasundaram High School, Tanjore, briefly stated below:--

2. After the election of Rao Bahadur A.Y. Arulanandaswamy Nadar as President of the Kalyanasundaram High School Educational Society irregularities committed by Mr.A.B. Viswanatha Iyer since deceased, Ex-Treasurer and Mr.Kumaraswamy Davey, Ex-Secretary in handling the finance of the school came to light. Subsequently the Divisional Inspector of Schools, Mathurai Division, Mathurai called upon the President to explain the various irregularities connected with the accounts of the School, particularly in respect of advances to the Ex-treasurer and the Secretary and also of the Games and Book stall accounts. On 4-2-49 the Treasurer of the school Mr.B.N. Subbaier, made a complaint to the Secretary about the alleged misbehaviour of the Headmaster towards him. Thereupon the Governing Body appointed a Sub-Committee to enquire into the allegations. Mr.S. Krishnaswami Iyer, Headmaster, failed to respond to various calls issued by the Sub-Committee in connection with the enquiry. Eventually no enquiry could be made in view of the attitude reported to have been adopted by the Headmaster. It further came to light that the Headmaster wrote to the Director of Public Instruction, Madras direct in connection with the Teaching Grant of the school, 1947-48. The staff also represented that the Headmaster was not treating them properly and that his behaviour was not such as becoming a responsible head of an Institution.

3. In view of the above, Mr.S. Krishnaswami Iyer, Headmaster, of the Kalyanasundaram High School, Tanjore was called upon to explain the following charges:-

(1) That, he failed to bring to the notice of Governing Body, the mal-practices, of which he was aware of, of the late Treasurer Mr.A.B. Viswanatha Iyer and Ex-Secretary Mr.Kumaraswami Davai in respect of the money belonging to the school and thereby apparently connived in their illegal actions.

(2) That, being the sole authority and Custodian of the Games and Bookstall funds of the School, he irregularly maintained the cash accounts especially in respect of a grant of Rs.1,000/- and thereby apparently misused the money of the funds entrusted to his care.

(3) That, he on 4-2-49, behaved in an unbecoming manner towards Mr. Subbaier, Treasurer, who is a responsible office bearer of the Institution and that in the course of his misbehaviour towards the latter used objectionable language casting aspersions on the other members of the Governing Body.

(4) That, he failed to respond to the calls of the Sub-Committee lawfully appointed by the Governing Body to

enquire into the allegations made against him by the Treasurer but absented himself from the meetings in spite of the special notices served on him and thereby apparently defied the authority of the Governing Body.

(v) That, he initiated unauthorized and unwarranted correspondence with the Educational authorities (D.P.I.) in respect of the teaching grant for 1947-48 without the knowledge of the Governing Body of the School which is the properly constituted authority for such matters.

(vi) That, he failed to co-operate with the staff and discharge his duties be fitting his position as Headmaster of the school.

4. In his explanation dated 9-5-49 Mr. S. Krishnaswamy Iyer, Headmaster, before answering the Charges specifically has given in an introduction wherein he has stated that it was he who gave the information to the President as to what took place in the Inspection, that he has documents to show that the Ex-Secretary was the only person who could give the necessary details to adjust the amount, that the Ex-Treasurer could not have given the information alleged to have been given by him as he and Ex-Secretary alone were in the know of things and that he was not maintaining the cash book but was only having the custody of it. It may be observed that the Ex-Treasurer gave the President to understand after handing over a sum of Rs. 3,075/- that the Headmaster would be able to give necessary details about the adjusting the amount. At that time the undersigned and another member of the Committee were present. In the circumstances the statement of the Headmaster that the Ex-Treasurer could not have given the information referred to cannot be accepted. It also establishes that there were mal-practices connected with the finance of the school and that the Headmaster was aware of them. This also disproves his plea that only during the inspection of the school that he became aware of gross irregularities for the first time. It may also be mentioned in this connection that he admitted in the Committee meeting that it was a mistake on his part in not having brought the irregularities of the accounts to the notice of the Managing Committee earlier. Further he was daily signing the cash book and should have in the usual course come to know of the illegal handling of the school money by the Ex-Secretary and Treasurer. The excuse that he was having only the custody of the cash book is an evasive one and not based on facts.

5. Regarding the first Charge he has stated that the advances taken by the Ex-Secretary and Ex-Treasurer was a practice started and sanctioned by the Committee's resolutions before he took charge as Headmaster that the "connived" used in the charge cannot be applied to him but to other quarters and that as this was known to the Committee and had its sanction there was no need for him to draw its particular attention. In his explanation Mr. S. Krishnaswamy Iyer, Headmaster refers to the practice that prevailed before he took charge as Headmaster and its continuance thereafter and thereby endeavour to free himself from blame in the matter. From such an explanation it is evident that he is not able to give a satisfactory answer to the charge which is self contained. In the Memo of charges different items of mal-practices carried on by the Ex-Secretary and Ex-Treasurer have been clearly set forth. The Committee could not be aware of the manner in which the money was handled by the Ex-treasurer and the Ex-Secretary. As one in-charge of the cash book the Headmaster should have been aware of the irregularities and brought them to the notice of

of the Governing Body. He failed to do so and even admitted his failure in the Committee Meetings. The explanation obviously indicates that he is not able to meet the charge but tries to shift the blame on the Managing Committee on flimsy grounds.

6. As regards the 2nd charge the Headmaster has stated that the premises of this charge are against all facts, that he was not the sole authority and custodian of the Games and Book stall funds, that the Ex-Secretary and the Ex-Treasurer were in complete charge of the Administration of the Games fund, that the vouchers given by the Ex-Secretary, year after year for expenses incurred by him would show how helpless he was in the matter, that the Ex-Secretary was keeping the pass books and the cheque books relating to the Bookstall accounts, that no facilities were given to him that this was made known to the Dt. Educational Officer, during the Inspection and that though the cheques were issued in the name of the Headmaster he was not allowed even to see the money drawn. He had added that he had nothing to do with the Cheque for Rs.1000/- except his usual signature on the back of it, that it was not used for the purpose for which it was drawn came to his knowledge only during inspection and that the Headclerk told the Dt. Educational Officer, during the inspection that the Ex-Secretary had directed him (Headclerk) to write that amount in the Book stall account as advance to the Treasurer. Here again Mr. S. Krishnaswamy Iyer Headmaster has missed the point at issue. He has elaborated the various irregularities committed by the Ex-Secretary and Ex-Treasurer and has tried to take shelter under them. In doing so he has tacitly revealed his guilt in the affair. It is admitted that the Ex-Secretary and the Ex-Treasurer were doing things as suited to them. As Secretary of the Games and Bookstall funds it was incumbent on his (Headmaster's) part to maintain the accounts properly. Cheques were issued in his name and it was his duty to see that they were accounted for correctly. He has admitted in his explanation that he had affixed his usual signature in the cheque for Rs.1000/- and that he came to know of its use only at the time of inspection. Such an explanation does not stand to reason. He is a responsible head of the Institution and he should have realised that the Cheques issued to him should be utilised for the purpose for which they were intended. In this particular case viz. Rs.1000/- according to his own statement he had not taken care to see how that amount was made use of and his blank denial of the knowledge of the whole affair clearly shows his sense of irresponsibility not to speak of the fact that he had not taken sufficient precautions to safeguard the money entrusted to him. There are therefore reasonable grounds to infer that he had misused the money entrusted to his care. It may not be out of place to mention in this connection that Mr. G. Mallary Row, a clerk in the school has sent a representation to the undersigned on 2-5-49 that the Headmaster called on him at his residence and persuaded him to state that the cheque for Rs.1000/- was given by T.S. Tolaja Ram and handed over to him and that he carried the amount to the Ex-Treasurer. It is further represented that Mr. Mallary Row refused to give such a statement which was false and as a result thereof the Headmaster began teasing him in the school matters. No further comments are necessary as this incident adds proof to the 2nd charge. Evidently the Headmaster has tried to create some record in his favour in connection with the cheque for Rs.1000/- and thereby circumvent the truth above the affair.

7. With reference to the 3rd charge the Headmaster has stated that he has already submitted his explanation on the subject and that the Headclerk and other clerks have told him that their statement is the same as his (Headmaster's) version. It may be observed that the Treasurer Mr. Subbaier is a respectable resident of this place and there was no necessity for him to make a complaint against the Headmaster alleging therein serious charges like casting aspersions in the conduct of other committee members. In fact when subsequent enquiry were made Messrs V. Damodaram, the

Headclerk, G. Mallary Row, V. Narayanaswami Naidu and Gopalakrishnan have stated in unequivocal terms that they were present at the time the incident took place and that the allegations made by the Treasurer were all true. In the face of such corroborative evidence there is no reason to doubt the veracity of the allegations made by the Treasurer. It is strange that the Headmaster should brush aside this charge with the observation that the Headclerk and the other clerks supported his version. On the other hand the attitude taken by him towards the Sub-Committee appointed by the Managing Committee fully proves that the Headmaster was guilty of the allegations made by the Treasurer and that he was not prepared to face an enquiry.

8. Concerning the 4th charge the Headmaster has explained that his presence at the Sub-Committee meetings could not have contributed anything towards the solution of the question in view of what he has already stated, that he had acted wisely in not wasting the time of the Committee Members and that the frequent taunts he received from the Committee Members did not permit him to attend the meetings after 30-1-49. It may be stated that in a public body one has to observe a certain propriety compatible with the regulations of the body notwithstanding his personal feelings in certain matters. The Headmaster is subordinate to the Managing Committee and is answerable on matters connected with the School. A responsible office bearer of the Managing Committee has complained about the misbehaviour of the Headmaster and insult caused by him in the open school in the presence of the staff. The Managing Committee proceeded constitutionally and appointed a Sub-Committee to enquire into the matter. The Sub-Committee, thus constituted called on him to attend the meeting. The latter not only failed to respond to the call of the sub-committee but replied that the sub-committee might meet in his room on the date mentioned and if this was preferred (the committee must remain satisfied with the remarks already written by him) Enquiry also showed that the Headmaster left the school before the sub-committee the time fixed by the sub-committee. The steps taken by the Sub-Committee to discharge its duties were thus frustrated by the tactics adopted by the Headmaster. Even the replies given by him to the notices issued by the Sub-Committee were discourteous objectionable and smacking of impertinence. Further efforts of the sub-committee to meet the Headmaster for conducting an enquiry proved futile and the sub-committee had to report to the Managing Committee about the attitude of the Headmaster censoring his conduct in strong terms. It will thus be seen that the Headmaster defied the authority of the Governing Body.

9. Regarding the 5th charge that the plight of the staff regarding payments affected him very much that the frequent enquiries about their salary that the utter indifference of the committee to his efforts and pleadings in the matter convinced him that there was no alternative but to take the matter to proper authorities, that such a step has been considered wise and sound by the Government by the undertaking taken by them from the Secretary and that such a correspondence was neither unauthorised nor unwarranted. Mr. S. Krishnaswami Iyer has also added that for him the interest of the school and staff are supreme when he was absolutely convinced of the soundness of the steps in the interest of the school and the staff and that he feels he requires no consultation or advice from any quarter. On the face of this explanation it is clear that Mr. S. Krishnaswami Iyer has not realised his position as Headmaster of the school. He is labouring under the misconception that is the defacto head of the institution on all matters. He has unfortunately forgotten that this is an institution, management of which, is vested in a committee lawfully elected which is ultimately responsible for the administration. Apart from this there was absolutely no justification for Mr. S. Krishnaswami Iyer to take up the matter directly with the D.P.I. There was no occasion during his tenure as Headmaster wherein payment to the

staff was delayed or doubts about their salaries never raised in the minds of the staff. In the circumstances it was high handed on the part of Mr.S. Krishnaswami Iyer to write to the D.P.I. on a matter which was entirely within the competence of the Managing Committee. If he had really felt any misgivings about payment to the staff he should have in the usual course represented the matter to the Managing Committee. He did not do so. It is also learnt that this action of the Headmaster did not have the approval of the staff. Nor was it done at their request or with their knowledge. This clearly shows that the Headmaster had unnecessarily taken up a matter that was not within his competence or jurisdiction ~~but~~ but had wilfully done it obviously with a view to humiliate the Managing Committee in the eyes of the Educational authorities. To achieve this end he had purposely pitched upon a subject which could easily misguide the authorities or create suspicion in their minds regarding the bonafides of the Managing Committee. Mr.S. Krishnaswami Iyer even goes to extent of saying that he does not require consultation or advice from any quarter, in such matters and that for him the interest of the school and the staff are supreme. Such an explanation shows that he is not able to justify his unauthorised and unwarranted action but tries to harp upon his convictions and sincerity of purpose which has in no way any connection with the administration of the school especially in matters of this kind. The expression (I feel I require no consultation from any quarter) reveals that Mr. S. Krishnaswami Iyer has not realised his position but has assumed a roll entirely unconnected with his office as Headmaster.

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10. Coming to the last charge Mr.S. Krishnaswami Iyer has confidently disposed of it by saying that there has been all along a hearty ~~a hearty~~ and close co-operation has been appreciated by the D.E.O. in his inspection remarks and that on the face of the D.E.O.'s observation the remarks of the Committee is frivolous unwarranted, and invented for the occasion. In his explanation Mr.Krishnaswami Iyer has tried to distort facts. He has taken shelter under the observation of the D.E.O. "Everything was alright on the academic side" such an observation does not establish the fact "that there has all along been a hearty and close co-operation between the staff and ~~and~~ the Headmaster" as claimed by Mr.Krishnaswami Iyer. On the other hand the staff had complained in writing to the Governing Body through the Secretary that they should be treated properly by the Headmaster who has assumed "ugly proportions and has taxed the energies of the staff to the point of despair". Even as late as 10-4-49, 18 members of the staff had signed and sent a petition to the President of K.H.S. E.S. that the Headmaster teased many members of the staff and that he did not co-operate with them and was creating a state of unrest in spite of the compromise effected last year by the Correspondent between the Headmaster and the staff represented by two senior members. In the end the signatories had requested the president to take prompt action to set matters right. In the light of these representations no further comments appear necessary concerning this charge which is proved.

11. From a careful examination of the facts of the case set forth above ~~xxx~~ and the discussions connected therewith it will be clearly seen that all the charges framed against Mr.S. Krishnaswami Iyer, Headmaster, stand proved. He has not been able to give satisfactory explanation to any of the charges. He has not also availed of the opportunity for a personal hearing given to him to rebut the charges. On the other hand he has tried in his explanation to belittle the authority of the Managing Committee and has endeavoured to show himself as a separate entity unconnected from the Managing Body, regarding the administration of the school. In this connection it has to be noted that there were irregularities

committed by the Ex-Secretary and Ex-Treasurer. Mr.S. Krishnaswami Iyer as Headmaster of the school did not take any step whatsoever to apprise the Governing Body about the mal-practices of the Ex-officio bearers. When he was faced with the charges he has expatiated on the alleged vagaries of the Ex-Secretary and Ex-Treasurer and has tried to play the roll of the innocent man being victimised for the fault of others. If the full facts of the case are carefully studied in the proper sequence and perspective, the intentions of Mr.S. Krishnaswami Iyer will be clear in the final analysis. There were malpractices and irregularities in handling the finances of the school by the Ex-Secretary and Ex-Treasurer. While the latter were in office the Headmaster quietly acquiesced in their actions and kept the managing committee in the dark. When matters came to light after the enquiries instituted by the new office bearers and during the inspection of D.E.O. the Headmaster who had his own share of the blame, has come to forget his position and relationship towards the Managing Committee. Apparently the enquiries made by the Educational authorities regarding the accounts at the time of the ex-treasurer and ex-Secretary have emboldened the Headmaster that he could defy the authority of the Managing Committee with impunity. It should be noted that the Managing Committee alone which has its own obligations, is responsible to the Educational authorities regarding the administration of the school to such an extent has covered by the standing regulations. Any enquiry or correspondence between the management and educational authorities connected with the Administration cannot alter the relationship between the Headmaster and the Management. Nor can such a state of affairs enable the Headmaster to do things over the head of the management and be little its authority or jurisdiction. There are sufficient grounds to believe that the Headmaster has tried to take advantage of the enquiries made by the Educational authorities about the state of affairs during the tenure of office of the Ex-officio bearers, flout the authority of the Managing Committee, disrupt a lawfully constituted body and consolidate his position to serve his own ends. If he had really the welfare of the school in his heart as claimed by him he would not have kept the Managing Committee uninformed about what actually took place during the time of the Ex-officio bearers. Even granting that he was powerless than, he could have come forward with an open heart now, co-operate with new office bearers and would not have adopted an attitude as proved by the charges 3 to 6. Especially when the affairs of the school have been set right by the new management. But his volteface is very significant. It has been clearly proved that he behaved in an unpardonable manner towards a responsible office bearer of the managing committee and went to the extent of casting aspersions on the character of other members of the Committee and defying its authority. Even his language and expression in his correspondence with the Governing Body lacks decorum and not in conformity with his position as head of an institution. subordinate to a managing committee. That he was not prepared to submit himself to the wishes of a constituted authority and that he wanted to arrogate for himself its powers will be evident from the correspondence he made to the D.P.I. when there was absolutely no justification to do so and to which he was not entitled by virtue of position as Headmaster. Even his behaviour towards the Staff has come into question. They have represented that he was not discharging his duties befitting his position as head of the Institution.

From a dispassionate consideration of all the facts discussed above the undersigned is convinced that it is not desirable to keep Mr.S. Krishnaswami Iyer in charge of the school as Headmaster. It will be suicidal if his services are retained any longer. Even though the proven facts of the case would justify his dismissal from service the undersigned

has taken into consideration his past service and association with the school and has proposed to take a lenient view in the matter. In the interest of the school it is hereby ordered that his services be dispensed with, with effect from the date of issue of this proceedings. He will receive the three months pay in lieu of three months notice, for which a cheque for Rs. Rs.856-11-4 is enclosed, herewith.

13. A copy of this proceedings is issued to

- (a) Mr.S. Krishnaswami Iyer, Headmaster, Kalyanasundaram High School, Tanjore. He will immediately hand over charge to the Assistant Headmaster and if he is not available to the next senior Assistant.
- (b) To the President K.H.S.E.S., Tanjore. for information with reference to Resolution No.13/49 dated 15-5-49 of the Managing Committee.

Sd/-L.S.M. Kandaswami Pillai,
19-5-49.
Secretary & Correspondent,
Kalyanasundaram High School Educational
Society, Tanjore.

/True copy/

A. Y. Arulandaram
Nadar
PRESIDENT. 2/8/49

his work into consideration his past service and association with the school and has proposed to take a permanent view in the matter. In the interest of the school it is hereby ordered that his services be disengaged with effect from the day of issue of this proceeding. He will receive the three months pay in lieu of three months notice for which a cheque for Rs. 1,850-11-4 is enclosed, herewith.

13. A copy of this proceeding is issued to

(A) Mr. S. Krishnaswami Iyer, Headmaster, Kalyanasundaram High School, Tanjore. He will immediately hand over charge to the Assistant Headmaster if he is not available to the next senior Assistant.

(B) To the President K.H.S.E.S., Tanjore for information with reference to Resolution No. 13 dated 15-5-49 of the Managing Committee.

Sd/-L.S.M. Kandaswami Pillai,
Secretary & Correspondent,
Kalyanasundaram High School Educational Society, Tanjore.

(True copy)

PRESIDENT

Extract from the Proceedings of the Governing Body of the

Kalyanasundaram High School Educational Society, Tanjore dated 15-5-49.

Read:-13. Memo of charges R.C.No.290 K.H.S.E.S./49 dated 2-5-49 given by the secretary Kalyanasundaram High School Educational Society, Tanjore to Sri S. Krishnaswami Iyer, B.A., L.T. Headmaster, Kalyanasundaram High School, Tanjore asking him to ~~xxxxxx~~ answer the allegations contained in the above mentioned Memo and replies of the Headmaster dated 9-5-49 to the charges.

Resolution:- Resolved to approve the memo of charges given by the Secretary to the Headmaster, and to authorise the Secretary to proceed further in the matter and do the needful without delay taking into consideration the tone and insinuatory nature of the explanation of the Headmaster.

Sd/-A. Chakravathy,
Presiding member.

(True extract)

R.C.No.290 K.H.S.E.S./49 dated 19-5-49.

Sd/-L.S.M. Kandaswami Pillai,
Secretary.

/True copy/

S. Y. Anandaraman
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President. 2/8/49

PROCEEDINGS OF THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION, MADRAS.
R.C.No.474-D 3/49 dated 21-6-49.

Kalyanasundaram High School, Tanjore - Headmaster - Appeal against termination of his services.

- Read:- (1) From Sri S. Krishnaswami Ayyar, Ex-Headmaster, Kalyanasundaram High School, Tanjore, dated 9-5-49 and 11-6-49.
- (2) From the Divisional Inspector of Schools, Mathurai R.C.No.500-B/49, dated 6-6-49.

The Director considers that the action of the management in having terminated the services of the Headmaster is irregular and they are therefore advised to reinstate him forthwith and report the fact to the Director at once.

Sd/-V.K. Krishna Menon,
For Direction of Public Instruction.

To

The Correspondent, Kalyanasundaram High School, Tanjore
The District Educational Officer, Tanjore.
The Divisional Inspector of Schools, Mathurai.
Sri S. Krishnaswami Iyer, B.A., L.T., Big Biall St., Tanjore.

/True copy/ forwarded/ by order/

SD/- * * * * *
Superintendent.

/True copy/

PRESIDENT.

2/8/49
On

From

The Secretary and Correspondent,
Kalyanasundaram High School,
Educational Society,
Tanjore.

To

The Director of Public Instruction,
Madras.

Sir,

Sub:- Reinstatement of Sri S. Krishnaswami Iyer, Headmaster,
K.H. School, Tanjore.

Ref:- Your proceedings RL.No.474 D-3/49 dated 21-6-49.

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From your proceedings, it would appear that you have not been fully apprised of the various circumstances that lead to the termination of the services of Sri S. Krishnaswami Iyer as Headmaster K.H.School, Tanjore. I wish to place before you a sufficient history of the case and the reactions of the Managing Committee and its point of view so that, you may be in a position to appreciate the whole situation in the ~~particular~~ perspective.

2. After the election of Rao Bahadur A.Y. Arulanandaswami Nadar as President certain irregularities committed by Mr. Kumaraswamy Davey Ex-Secretary and Mr. A.B. Viswanatha Iyer (since deceased) ex-treasurer, came to light which culminated in the resignation of these men from the offices of Secretary and Treasurer respectively. In the meanwhile the Divisional Inspector of Schools, Mathurai Division called upon the President to explain certain irregularities connected with accounts of the school. When enquiries were made, it was found that Mr. S. Krishnaswami Iyer the then Headmaster was also responsible for some irregularities especially with the games fund account and Book stall accounts. In view of these, the new Managing Body Committee and the office bearers began to exercise strict supervision over the administration of the school particularly with regard to accounts. Mr. S. Krishnaswami Iyer apparently did not wish this and endeavoured to have his own way. On one occasion, he openly insulted the

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the Treasurer, when he happened to visit the school and checked the accounts and in the connection cast aspersions on the character of the members of the Managing committee. When enquiries were caused to be made by the Managing Committee through a Sub-Committee Mr. S. Krishnaswami Iyer failed to respond to the calls of the Sub-Committee to attend its meetings and even went to the extent of using discourteous and ~~objectionable~~ objectionable languages in his correspondence to the Sub-Committee. Apart from this Mr. S. Krishnaswami Iyer tried to act independently and addressed the D.P.I. regarding the teaching grant for the year 1947-48 which action was unauthorised and unwarranted. In the meanwhile, representations from the staff were also received that the Headmaster teased many members of the staff unnecessarily and that he was creating a state of unrest. By such a state of affairs the Managing Committee was lead to ^{believe} believe that Mr. S. Krishnaswami Iyer was forgetting his position and relationship towards the Managing Committee and that he was inclined to defy its authority presumably under the misconception that the past irregularities of the Ex-Secretary and the Ex-Treasurer and the enquiries of the Educational Authorities thereof assured him a position independent of the Managing Committee. He not only stopped away from meetings of the Governing Body but even refused to attend them when calls were issued to him.

3. In order to avoid a crisis and with a view to nip the evil in the bud, the Managing Committee authorised me to frame charges against Mr. S. Krishnaswami Iyer, call for his explanation and take suitable action on the merits of the case. Accordingly charges were framed against him and while doing so his complicity in the alleged vagaries of the ex-Secretary and Ex-Treasurer as also taken into account. Mr. S. Krishnaswami Iyer was not able to give a satisfactory explanation to any of the charges. Orders were, therefore, passed terminating his services. Copies of the memo. of charges, explanations of Sri S. Krishnaswami Iyer and my proceedings No. R.C.No. 290/KHS/49 dated 19-5-49 are enclosed for your kind information.

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4. From a perusal of the documents herewith sent, it will be kindly seen that Mr.S. Krishnaswami Iyer has been guilty of grave charges which make him entirely unsuitable to be in charge of a big High School like ours. Even though the Managing Committee came to know in the Month of November 1948 that Mr.S. Krishnaswami Iyer was involved in the irregularities connected with the accounts, it did not proceed against him or penalise him, especially when he failed in his cardinal duty to bring to the notice of the xx Governing Body, the Irregularities of the Ex-Secretary and Ex-Treasurer in respect of the money belonging to the school. It was also known that he was primarily responsible for the irregular ^{connected with the games & Book stall accounts} maintenance of cash accounts particularly in respect of a sum of Rs.1000/- (Book stall account) which even brought his conduct into suspicion. Despite these seriousky irregularities, the Managing Committee refrained from taking any disciplinary action against him but awaited result of the enquiries by the educational authorities. Unfortunately such a dispassionate attitude on the part of the Managing Committee had been misconstrued as a weakness which emboldened Mr.S. Krishnaswami Iyer to slowly defy the authority of the Managing Committee with impunity. As these facts have been fully discussed in para 11 of my proceedings, any further reference on the points ~~where~~ would be redundant I may however add that the Managing Committee felt that if Mr.S. Krishnaswami Iyer was allowed to flout its authority and have his own way, it would not only disrupt a lawfully constituted authority but undermine its position as an administrative body over the school not to speak of its fatal repercussions on the school. Action was, therefore, taken constitutionally by framing charges and passing orders after obtaining the explanation. Termination of services was the inevitable outcome and the only solution.

5. In this connection I beg to submit that orders have been received without calling for our remarks or ascertaining out points of view in the matter. It has to be inferred

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that Mr.S. Krishnaswami Iyer has presented his ~~xxx~~ case by misrepresenting and distorting facts. It is also apparent from the copy of letter dated 19-5-49 to D.P.I. that he had tried to pay the role of one being victimised for the fault of others. Now the full facts of the case have been placed before you and the circumstances that compelled the Managing Committee to terminate his services have been explained. I am sure ~~xxx~~ that you will fully agree that the action taken by us was proper and correct. It may be argued that in as much as he was involved with ^{Ex-}Secretary and Ex-Treasurer regarding the accounts of the school and as the matter was under police investigation, it was rather injudicious to remove him from service. In fact this point was fully considered before taking disciplinary action against Mr.S. Krishnaswami Iyer. A reference to the particulars given in letter dated 14-4-49 by the President of the School Committee to the Divisional Inspector of Schools, Mathurai will bear testimony to the fact that the Managing Committee had placed all details in this case before educational authorities and had not tried to shield or exonerated anybody who had culpability in the affair. But the High handed manner in which Mr.S. Krishnaswami Iyer ~~Iyer~~ conducted himself in the affairs of the school, it was felt that it would be highly detrimental also to the enquiries that were going on to keep Mr.S. Krishnaswami Iyer in office. We have laid out cards on the table so ~~xx~~ far as the irregularities ~~xxx~~ are concerned we are prepared to give all facilities and assistance to the authorities connected with the investigation.

6. It may not be out of place if I mention in this connection that myself, the Treasurer the President and other members of the Managing Body are respectable residents of Tanjore. We have taken this office in spite of our business avocations solely with a view to help the cause of education. We can say with pride and satisfaction that we have ~~at~~ the confidence and support of the public. The manner in which the administration is run at present will speak to our bonafide. The rush for

The rush for admissions during this term will be a striking example of the efficiency of service. We were not ~~drawn~~ in any way actuated by ~~any~~ personal motives when we dealt with Mr. S. Krishnaswami Iyer. Our hands were tied and he himself precipitated action which was inevitable in the circumstances. Even though there was a clear case for dismissal, we took into consideration his past service and dealt with him sympathetically and leniently. He was given 3 months notice with pay which action is within our bounds strictly compatible with the terms of contract on which he was engaged. If he is reinstated in pursuance of your advice it will not only be calamitous but suicidal. The managing Committee will automatically lose its raison-d'être. The unhappy affairs during the tenure of office of the Ex-Secretary and ex-Treasurer has become a closed chapter in the history of the school with the termination of services of Mr. S. Krishnaswami Iyer. The new Managing Committee is carrying on smoothly and efficiently with the new Headmaster as a happy team. In conclusion I submit the prestige of the Managing Committee and welfare of the staff and 2000 pupils of this illustrious and noble institution to your kind consideration. I, therefore request that you will be pleased to treat the case as closed.

Yours faithfully,

Sd/-L.S.M. KANDASWAMI PILLAI,
Secretary & Correspondent,
Kalyanasundaram High School,
Educational Society, Tanjore.

Tanjore,
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/True copy/

A. Y. Arundhaniam
(Vadai)
PRESIDENT. 2/8/49

Proceedings of the Director of Public Instruction, Madras. 91

R.O-C.No.474 D3/49 dated 26-7-49. 62

Sub:- Schools . Secondary - Aided - K.H.S. Tanjore -
Service conditions - Reinstatement of the Headmaster -

Read:- Letter dated 5-7-49 from the Secretary and Correspondent
K.H.S., Tanjore. 63

The Director has carefully considered the letter from the
Management and he is unable to accept their argument. The orders
issued in proceedings R.C.No.474-D3/49 dated 21-6-49 should be
given effect to, in the absence of the police report.

V.K. KRISHNA MENON,
For Director of Public Instruction,
True copy/forwarded/by order.

Super intendent.

/True copy/

A. Y. Arundhaniam Nadar
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President. 62

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Schools - Secondary - Aided - Kalyanasundaram High School, Tanjore - Reinstatement of the Headmaster

From Sri S. Rm. Ramanathan chettiar, M.L.C. - d/3-8-49.

Memo No. 65593B, / 48-8 Edn. dated 13-8-49.

The letter d/3-8-49 from Sri S. Rm. Ramanathan chettiar M.L.C. is referred to the D.P.G. with its enclosures for report. He is requested to state whether in the circumstances stated therein, the reinstatement of the Headmaster, ~~who~~ Kalyanasundaram High School, Tanjore, should be insisted upon.

2) The Director is also requested to state whether the investigation by the local Police ~~in~~ in the

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the matter has been completed and if so to state ^{with what result} ~~whether~~ p 47 cf.
~~the Police consider that there is evidence for launching~~
~~legal proceedings against the management.~~

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To
The D.P.G.
with enclosure
(to be returned with reply)
(copy of pbs of
and pp 66-91 cf in orgl)
original of pbs of
also sent on 25th 49 as
demanded by D.P.G.

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TELEGRAPHS DEPARTMENT. No. 458

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Madras
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reply
= Ramanathan Chettai M L C

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E & P. H. (B.)

Letter No 65593 B, / 48-9 Edn. dated 24.8.49.
Ref

To

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Sri S. Rm. Ramanathan Chettiar, M.L.C.,
Ramnad House,
Tanjore.

Sir,

Schools - Secondary - Aided - Kalyanasundaram
High School, Tanjore - Reinstatement of the
head-master.

With reference to your letter d/3.8.49 and
p1 of telegram d/13.8.49, I am directed to say that the
matter is under consideration.

Sd/
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W. S. S.
22/8/49

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yours sincerely
23/8/49
P. S. S.

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E & P. H. (B).

Schools - Secondary - Aided - Kalyanasundaram High School, Tanjore - Reinstatement of head master.

Proceedings of the D.P.G. Roc. No. 474 D3/49 d/21.6.49
Petition from Sri S. Rm. Ramanathan chettiar, M.L.C.,
d/13.8.49.

Memo No 65593 B, 48-10 Edn d/31.8.49.

The Correspondent, Kalyanasundaram High School, Tanjore is informed that the appeal submitted by the management against the orders of the D.P.G insisting on the reinstatement of the headmaster is ~~under being examined~~ ~~that until it is disposed of~~ ~~consideration.~~ ~~pending a decision in the matter,~~ the management is ~~requested to abide by the orders of~~ ~~as~~ ~~the D.P.G or to keep the headmaster on leave~~ ~~as~~ ~~pay his~~

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To
The Correspondent,
Kalpanasundaram High
School, Tanjore

The S.P.S.

Copy to
Sri S. Rm Ramanathan
Chettiar, M.L.C.
28, North Madala Street,
Ramanad House,
Tanjore Mylapore.

Vide Secretary's
order at p 94 of

with ref. to his letter d/13-8-49.

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28, North Madala Street,
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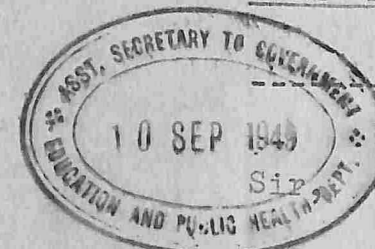
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A copy of the orders regarding the Headmaster
of the Tanjore School should be sent to Mr. Ramanathan
Chettiar, at his Madras address, by post.

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EDUCATION DEPARTMENT.

From The Director of Public Instruction,
M A D R A S.
To The Secretary to Government,
Education and Public Health
Department.



R.C.No.474-D3/49 dated 6th September 1949.

Sub:- Kalyanasundaram High School, Tanjore-
Reinstatement of the Headmaster.
Ref:- Government Memo No.65593-B1/49-8 Edn.,
dated 13-8-49.

Complete and satisfactory remarks can be offered only
on the receipt of the report of the Police Department and when
the records are also made available for the department after
the police have done with them.

The District Superintendent of Police, Tanjore has
also been reminded.

ERPH(B).

Yours faithfully,

The Director's report may be awaited
till 6-10-49.

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For Director of Public Instruction.

The Minister for Education,

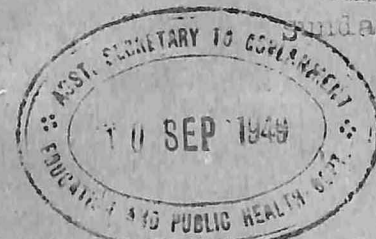
Government of Madras

SECRETARY, EDUC. AND P.H. DEPT.
9 SEP 1949

Sir.

Sub-~~Director of Madras~~ of the Managing Committee of the Kalayana-

Smadarum High School, Tanjore- requested-



The managing committee of the Kalayanasmdaram

high school is in the opinion that no power in the earth can
dissolve the Committee. They are flouting the orders of the
Director of public instruction like Pakistan flouts U.N. deci-
sion. They are saying that the Government is incompetent
to dissolve them. If Government is competent to pay grant
to Educational institutions why the Government should not
withhold payment of grants. No grants should be paid to this
school. When the Government is able to put down the communist
atrocities finally why not dissolve the committee by an ordinance
of Government. Unless such drastic action is taken the
prestige of the Government will be lowered in the public eyes
of Tanjore and the Congress will no be able to get a single vote
in the next general election to be held on adult suffrage.

If such course of action is not taken

the matter will be moved in the floor of the Assembly at it's

next sitting. I also learnt that you have been invited by this committee to
unveil the portrait of Comanathan Chelvan MLC in this school building. Do not accept this invitation and save the prestige of Congress and Government.
Do not accept this invitation and save the prestige of Congress and Government.
Your's sincerely,

Tanjore.

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P. R. Narasimham 31/8/49
M. Chavara

C. No. 69689 and 69709.

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May be added to the main file on the
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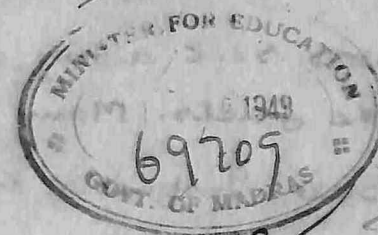
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Admission of your request for admission

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From

S. Athimoolam, B.A.,
1008, South Rampart,
Tanjore.



To

The Honorable Minister for Education,
Government of Madras,
Madras.



Sir,

May I beg the Hon'ble Minister's permission to be
allowed to present certain facts to his Honour's serious consideration.

It is widely rumored that your Honour has kindly
consented to pay a visit to the Kalyanasunderam High School,
during the visit to Tanjore. It is an open secret, that the
Educational authorities, the Director of Public Instruction,
and the District Educational Officer, have gone carefully,
through the accounts of the said school and have framed
serious charges of misappropriation and cheating Government.
It seems that the department is considering the action to
be taken against the management.

The school has got a hoary tradition. It was started
in 1891, by two self-sacrificing souls, and placed in 1927, as
a trust to be managed by a public body. The present body
which consists of men of very low cadre, having no educa-
tional qualification except one or two, came into power
in 1930, and has been mismanaging the school, cleverly
falsifying accounts and dexterously forging vouchers.
A police Sub. Inspector was appointed by the Government,
to investigate the matter, but he was, it seems, actually
bought over by the ~~same~~ present committee, through
the powerful influence of the rich president. He has
not carried out a thorough investigation since the
then Head Master, on whom the committee threw

the entire, blame, though he was absolutely innocent, was sent away and he is now not in a position to prove the facts. Many others were not examined, but the

Sub Inspector has prepared a report, to shield the offenders. The Director of Public Instruction has ordered the committee twice to reinstate the Head Master, but they have not yet done so, thinking that they can do anything and achieve their cherished end, with the help of money, coming out of the pocket of Mr. Arulamanda Swamy Nadar, who has amassed a great fortune through toddy contract. The School has been getting huge sums of Government grant, by showing expenses supported by forged and false vouchers.

Not content with having disregarded the orders of the Director of Public Instruction, the committee has now gone further. They have decided to invite the Hon'ble Minister for Education to unveil the portrait of his Ex-president, S.A.S.R.M. Ramanathan Chettiar, to make a grand show and thus hoodwink the Govt. so as to make the minister squash aside the orders of the Department. They think that they can have a smooth sailing under the protecting wings of the minister. It is then considered view and also their experience in the past, when there was such an agitation some 4 years back, that everything can be achieved with the help of money and influence, not caring for equity and justice.

The citizens of Tanjore are eagerly wondering if the Hon'ble Minister would fall into their snare.

It would even be an act of favour & justice if the Hon'ble Minister gives an interview to Mr. D. Ramanatha Iyer, B.A., L.T., an assistant of the same school, who is the son of one of the founders of the institution, but who has been cleverly put out of their scene by their cunning. The coming event alone will make us judge.

Tanjore, 7
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I beg to remain,
Honoured Sir
S. Alimoolam.

From

K. Subramanian
Big Beeyalu Street
Tanjore.

To

The Honorable Minister of Education
To the Government of Madras

Sir,

I have been writing petition after petition from August 1948 to the Director of Public Instruction and to the Educational Minister regarding the mismanagement, fraud, and Misappropriation of the Educational Society managing the Kalyanasundaram High School Tanjore.

The Department, of course, made a thorough investigation into the affairs and were convinced of the truth of the statements in my petitions.

They also had passed orders giving certain suggestions for the reorganisation of the School committee. They further had placed all connected papers with the police for investigation into the fraud and misappropriations.

The Police came and made an apology of an enquiry. What they have reported or are going to do is not known. But these people go about saying that the Police have submitted a report in favour of the committee to their higher authorities.

Before the investigation by the Police began the committee dispensed with the services of the Headmaster and placed one who will be in hand and gloves with them in his place. For they feared, it seems, that the Headmaster will plainly expose all the frauds of the committee. If he had continued in service he might have given sufficient information and shown the necessary documents to incriminate them. Further it was not possible for the Police to extract any information on gather evidence as many of these who can help them are either clerks peons or assistants of the school who are subordinates to the committee under the immediate supervision of the present Headmaster, a willing tool in the hands of the committee.

Thus having made all arrangements to shut out all evidences the committee paid no regard to the suggestions of the department for its re-organisation in any way and have thwarted police enquiry. In addition they have gone a step further in dis-obeying the orders of the department in not reinstating the Headmaster as was ordered by the Director of Public Instructions.

Now, sir, they have enticed into their fold Mr. Ramanathan chettiar with several offers including the present proposed honour of his portrait being unveiled by the Hon'ble Minister. (How this Mr. Ramanathan chettiar served the committee and how he was thrown out of the committee is a separate History.) So they are arranging to invite the Education Minister to the School house, with a view primarily to gain his favour and to make a show of their sincerity in the management of the institution. Some of the members of the committee are moneyed men who have amassed wealth in blackmarketing and in toddy sales. They think they can buy the sympathy of the minister and ministry and indirectly that of the department by inviting the minister, presenting addresses and arranging parties and dinners.

It is a pity to note that they have such a poor conception of the nature and constitution of the present ministry and the authority of the department. Perhaps this may be due to the delayed movements of the departmental machinery which leads one to suppose even, that the department are not potent enough to take drastic action in the matter.

Please imagine what a poor school master, who had done sincere yeoman service in the school for thirty years and more, who dreams always about the school and its environments, who is a life long wellwisher of the school that gave him bread and brain and who was greatly instrumental in placing the school in the hands of the public, can do in the affair, but to appeal to you and pray to God that the ministry and the department will rise equal to the occasion and do proper justice to the wishes of the founder and to the destiny of this ancient institution which had a glorious past for nearly six decades and has to play a good deal towards proper education of our country's children for years to come. ~~with~~

With apologies for encroaching upon your precious time.

Tanjore
12-9-1949

Yours faithfully,

K. Sathya Narayana

Copy to the Director of Public Instruction

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Dated 7th October 1949.

R.C.No.290 K.H.S.E.S/49.

Enclosure one

From

Sri. L.S.M. Kandaswami Pillai,
Secretary and Correspondent,
Kalyanasundaram High School Educational Society,
T A N J O R E.

TO

The Secretary to Government,
Education and Public Health Department,
M A D R A S.

Sir,

sub:Re-instatement of Sri. S. Krishnaswami Iyer, as
Headmaster, Kalyanasundaram High School, Tanjore.

Ref: Memorandum No.65593-B1/48-10-Edn. dated 31--8--49.

We have fully explained in letter No.R.C.290 K.H.S.E.S/49 dated 11-8-49 to the Hon'ble Minister the circumstances in which the services of Sri.S. Krishnaswami Iyer as Headmaster of Kalyanasundaram High School were dispensed with. We have also pointed out therein the constitutional manner in which the requisite proceedings were conducted. We also append herewith for the kind information of the Hon'ble Minister a true copy of the contract entered into between Sri.S. Krishnaswami Iyer and the Management when the former took over the duties of the Headmaster. It will be seen therefrom that the action ~~affixing~~ taken by the Managing Committee through the Secretary and Correspondent was entirely within its rights and competence and also in strict conformity with the clause 7 of the contract. In the circumstances the action of the Director of Public Instruction in ordering the re-instatement of the Headmaster without even calling for remarks from the Managing Committee, is ultra vires and is ~~and~~ an encroachment upon its powers and privileges as a duly constituted authority in a private management. As

representation to the Director of Public Instruction, proved futile, the management has been forced to place the full facts of the case before the Hon'ble Minister. Pending final decision, the Government in Memorandum No.65593-B1-48-10-Edn. dated 31-8-49 has been pleased to order that either the orders of the Director of Public Instruction should be given effect to or the period be treated as leave. As the question of re-instatement does not arise especially in view of the legal aspect pointed out as per terms of the contract, the implementation of the other alternative viz., grant of leave would also appear to be irregular in the light of the leave rules framed for the staff of the School. However the Management have been pleased to allow payment of salary as subsistence allowance for the period from the date of expiry of 3 months notice given till the date of passing of final orders on the appeal. In this connection, the management respectfully beg to request the Hon'ble Minister to pass orders as quickly as possible as any delay means financial loss to the Management in these hard days.

Praying for early orders.

Yours faithfully,

L. S. M. T. K. S. S. S.
Secretary and Correspondent.
7/10/49

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Copy to the Director of Public Instruction, Madras, for information,
Copy to the Divisional Inspector of Schools, Mathurai Division Mathurai for information.
Copy to the District Educational Officer, Tanjore for information.

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AGREEMENT.

Agreement made the Seventh day of Apr 11 One Thousand Nine Hundred and forty eight between the Governing Body of the Kalyanasundaram High School at Tanjore of the one part and Mr. S. Krishnaswami Iyer, B.A., L.T., of the other part.

Whereas the School authority have agreed to engage the said teacher to serve in the Kalyanasundaram High School at Tanjore in the capacity of a teacher and on the salary hereinafter mentioned;

Now these presents witness and the parties hereto do hereby agree as follows:—

1. That the school authority shall employ the said teacher and the said teacher shall serve the school authority as a teacher in the Kalyanasundaram High School at Tanjore from the date of his taking charge of such appointment until such employment shall be determined as hereinafter provided.

2. That the said teacher shall be on probation for a period of twelve months from the date of taking charge of his appointment, but the school authority may before the expiry of that period extend it to a further period not exceeding twelve months for reasons to be recorded in writing.

3. (a) That the said teacher will employ himself honestly, efficiently and diligently under the orders and instructions of the Headmaster or Correspondent or other officers of the said school under whom he shall from time to time be placed as teacher in the said school in which capacity he will discharge all such duties appertaining to that office and do all things which may be required of him or which are necessary to be done in his capacity as aforesaid and will make himself in other respects generally useful as may be required of him.

(b) That the said teacher in his capacity as Headmaster shall be responsible for the internal management of the school and the academic work of the school and shall exercise such powers as may be necessary for the due discharge of his duties.

4. That the said teacher will not normally or on any pretence absent himself from his duties without first having obtained the permission of his superior officers authorized in this behalf or in case of sickness or inevitable accident without forwarding where necessary a medical certificate satisfactory to the school authority as may be required by the leave rules for the time being in force in the said school.

5. That the said teacher will devote his whole time to the duties of the said employment and will not on his own account or otherwise either directly or indirectly carry on or be concerned in any trade, business or canvassing work, private tuition or the like, of a remunerative kind without the specific written sanction of the school authority.

6. That the said teacher shall conform to all the rules and regulations for the time being in force in the said school and obey all lawful orders and directions as he shall from time to time receive from any authorized officer of the said school.

7. (1) That the school authority shall have the power to terminate the services of the said teacher when he becomes a permanent member of the staff of the said school,

(a) without notice for any or all of the following reasons:—
Wilful neglect of duty; serious misconduct; gross insubordination; mental unfitness; suspension or cancellation of teacher's certificate by the Director of Public Instruction under the Madras Educational Rules.

(b) with three months' notice or three months' salary in lieu thereof for the following reasons:—

Incompetence, retrenchment, physical unfitness, or any other good cause:

Provided that—

(i) the school authority shall not terminate the services of the said teacher whether summarily or otherwise without informing him in writing of the grounds on which they intend to take action and giving him

what in their view is a reasonable opportunity for stating his case in writing, and before coming to a final decision, shall duly consider his statement and if he so desires give him a personal hearing;

(ii) the school authority shall not, except with the previous permission of the District Educational Officer, terminate the services of the said teacher for incompetence if he has put in five years of efficient service after being confirmed in his appointment.

(iii) it shall be lawful for the school authority at any time, if satisfied on medical evidence that the said teacher is unfit, and is likely for a considerable period to continue unfit by reason of ill health, for the discharge of his duties as such teacher, to terminate his services on paying him three months' salary less any amount which may have been paid to him as leave allowance after the date of his last appearance in the school for the regular discharge of his duties as teacher, subject to a minimum of one month's full salary.

(2) That the said teacher when he becomes a permanent member of the staff of the said school shall be entitled to have his services terminated either by giving to the school authority three months' notice thereof in writing or by paying that authority three months' salary in lieu of such notice.

(3) That the said teacher shall not during the period of this agreement when he has not been given notice of termination of his services by the school authority or has not given notice to the school authority for such termination of his services, apply for an appointment under any other authority except through the school authority and the penalty for any breach of this may at the discretion of the school authority be dismissal from service. The school authority shall not refuse to forward such application but may decline to relieve him when the need arises unless he gives due notice or pays an amount equal to the salary for three months which he is drawing at the time.

(4) That in respect of the teachers appointed temporarily or to act on probation, the school authority shall have power to terminate the services of any such teacher

(i) without notice for any or all of the following reasons:- wilful neglect of duty, serious misconduct, gross insubordination, mental unfitness, suspension or cancellation of teacher's certificate by the Director of Public Instruction under the Madras Educational Rules;

(ii) with notice of two months or two months' salary in lieu thereof, for the following reasons:- incompetence, retrenchment, physical unfitness or any other good cause.

8. That the said teacher shall be paid for such time as he shall be in the service of the said school monthly salary in the scale of Rs. 160-5-200-10-240 starting on an initial salary of Rs. 165/- with effect from 1-6-1947 and the following additional allowances - Headmaster's allowance Rs. 25/-

9. That in the event of the temporary absence of the said teacher from duty by reason of sickness or leave or otherwise, he shall be paid such salary only as shall be determined by rules for the time being in force in the said school:

Provided always that the said teacher shall get the full salary or a proportionately reduced amount per month during the vacation, according as he has worked for the full period from July up to and inclusive of March or a shorter period, subject to the instructions given by the Department of Public Instruction.

In witness whereof Sri. S. Krishnaswami Iyer and Sri. T.N. have hereunto set their hands. (Kumaraswami Davai, Secretary & Correspondent, K.H. School.

Signed by the above named 3d/- S. Krishnaswami Iyer, in the presence of

Signed by the above named 3d/- T.N. Kumaraswami Davai, in the presence of Secretary and Correspondent.

(True Copy.)

L.S.H. Kumaraswami Davai
Secretary & Correspondent.

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Schools - Secondary - Aided - Kalyanasundaram High School, Tanjore - Alleged mismanagement.

From the D.P.G. Re. No. 474 B3/49 d/6.9.49

Memo No. 65593 B, 48-11 Edn. dated 11-10-49.

The D.P.G. is requested to state whether the report of the Police Department has since been received and if so to expedite his remarks in the matter.

To

The D.P.G.

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Sri S.R.M. Ramanathan Chettiar, M.L.C., has stated to me that the Police case against the Managing Committee of the Kalyanasundaram High School, Tanjore, has terminated and that the Government had ^{not} finalised their orders regarding the case of the Headmaster of the above school which was kept pending ~~enquiry~~. The D.P.I. may be reminded if he has not already reported.

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Schools - Secondary - Aided - Kalyanasundaram
High School, Tanjore - Alleged mismanagement.

Memo No 65593 B₁/48-12 Edn dated 3-11-49.

The attention of the D.P.G. is invited
to Govt. Memo No. 65593 B₁/48-11 Edn. dated 11-10-49
and he is requested to expedite his reply.

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EDUCATION DEPARTMENT



From The Director of Public Instruction
Madras.

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

ROC.No.474-D3/49 dated 5th Nov. 1949.

Sir,

Subject:- SCHOOLS -- Secondary - Aided - Service
conditions - Kalyanasundaram High School,
Tanjore - Termination of services of
Headmaster - Sri S.Krishnaswami Aiyar -
Report.

Reference:- Government Memorandum No.65593-B1/48-Edn.
dated 11-10-1949.

In continuation of my letter Roc.No.474 D3/49 dated
6--9--1949 to Government, I wish to state as follows:-

2.The Police investigation has been completed and a copy
of the report received from the District Superintendent of
Police, Tanjore, is being submitted separately.

3.From a perusal of the reports of the District Educa-
tional Officer, and the Divisional Inspector on hand, in regard
to the subject at issue, I find that the Headmaster is not
altogether free from blame for the predicament in which he found
himself and that the management have a legitimate grievance
against the Headmaster. There is however no justification for
the management's action in having terminated his services while
Police investigation was being carried on, in regard to irregu-
larities connected with the school.

4 I have therefore passed orders, taking into consideration
all the facts of the case, that the termination of his services
would be deemed to have taken effect on the date of my final
orders viz. 1--11--1949 that he should be considered to have been
on leave during the period from 19--5--1949 to 1--11--1949, and
salary paid to him. A copy of the order is enclosed for the
information of Government.

5. I resubmit herewith the papers received with Government
Memorandum No.65693-B1-48 Edn., dated 13--8--1949. I consider
that no further action is called for in the matter.

Yours faithfully

For Director of Public Instruction.

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Subject: Schools - Secondary - Aided - Service conditions -
Kalyanasundaram High School, Tanjore - Termination
of services of Sri S.Krishnaswami Aiyar, Head Master -
Final orders passed.
Re a d: Again Director's Proceedings Re.474 D3/49 dated 21-6-49
and 26-7-49. *para 60 and 85 ante*
1. Letter No.500 B/49 dated 20-10-49 from the
Divisional Inspector, Mathurai.

The Director has carefully perused the papers connected
with the termination of services of Sri S.Krishnaswami Aiyar,
Head Master, Kalyanasundaram High School, Tanjore and is pleased
to issue the following final orders:--

1. The services of Sri S.Krishnaswami Aiyar will be ~~terminated~~ *deemed*
to have been terminated only from the date of this Proceedings
(i.e. 1-11-1949).

2. During the period from 19-5-49 upto the date of these
orders he should be considered to have been on leave. The
Head Master should be paid his salary for the period after
deducting ~~only~~ amount that may have been already paid to him
by the management.

V.K.Krishna Menon.
For Director of Public Instruction.
(TRUE COPY) FORWARDED (BY ORDER)

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SUPERINTENDENT.

To *[Signature]*
The Divisional Inspector of Schools, Mathurai.
Copy to the District Educational Officer, Tanjore.
Copy to the Correspondent, Kalyanasundaram High School, Tanjore.
Copy to Sri S.Krishnaswami Aiyar, Big Bial Street, Tanjore.
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EDUCATION DEPARTMENT

FROM THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION, MADRAS

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

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Sir,
Roc.917 D3/48 dated 5-11-49

Sub:--Schools--Secondary--Aided--Irregularities
Kalyanasundaram High School, Tanjore.

Ref:--Government Memorandum No.65593 B1/48 .4 Edn. p47 ante
dated 4-3-49
H 115-120 infra

I submit herewith a copy of report contained in
letter Re.No.13737-C1-49 dated 9-9-49 from the District Superintendent
of Police, Tanjore for the information of Government.

2. I am awaiting the explanation of the Ex-Correspondent
before he could be declared unfit to hold the post hereafter.

3. The management have been asked to consider the
amendments suggested for the re-constitution of the managing
body. Separate action will be taken in this regard and with reference
to paragraph 2 above, on receipt of the Divisional Inspector's
further report.

Yours faithfully,

K. Sankaranarayanan

For Director of Public Instruction

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Copy of letter Rc.No.13737-C1-49 dated 9-9-49 from the Dt. Superintendent of Police, Tanjore to the Divl. Inspector of Schools, Mathurai Division, Mathurai.

Re-Your letter Rc.615-B/48 dated 3-3-49 addressed to the President, Kalyanasundaram Educational Society, Tanjore contains the substance in detail of the letter Rc.532-D/48 dated 26-12-48 of the District Educational Officer, Tanjore addressed to you. It forms the basis for the investigations in this case. The School authorities were fully aware of the details of the alleged offence in this case quite in advance and had thus the scope to rectify matters. In this connection please see the letter dated 14-4-49 of the President, Kalyanasundaram High School Education Society, Tanjore addressed to you. The important accused in this case is one Viswanathan Iyer against whom the offence of temporary misappropriation of funds could be made out. He is now dead. The other accused T.N.K. Davey has evidently rectified matters and could not at this distant date be legally proceeded against. In the absence of conclusive evidence as to the offences alleged against him a case therefore could not be made out and it will be treated as undetected.

I enclose herewith a copy of the report of the Police Officer who investigated into this case for your information. I also return herewith the records of the District Educational Officer sent to me for purposes of investigation. Please acknowledge their receipt.

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Dt. Supdt. of Police, Tanjore.

Copy of report dated 24-7-49 on the investigation of Cr. No.365/49 Sec. 406, 467, 471(A) S.P.C. of Tanjore Town station of the Sub-Inspector of Police on Special Duty.

This is a case in which the two accused noted in the margin and other members of the Kalyanasundaram High School, Educational Society who were connected with the management of the

Accused

1. A.B. Viswanatha Iyer,
s/o Balasubramania Iyer,
Treasurer, Kalyanasundaram
High School, Educational
Society, Tanjore
(Now dead)

2. T.N. Kumaraswami Davey,
s/o Naganatha Davey
Secretary, K.H.S., E.S.
& Correspondent, K.H.
School, Tanjore.

Kalyanasundaram High School and its connected institutions at Tanjore are alleged to have committed the offences of Criminal Breach of Trust, Falsification of accounts, Forging of valuable Securities and using as genuine forged documents and other offences in their capacity as members of the Governing Body of the said Educational Society during the period from 1943 to 1948.

One K. Subramaniam, an Ex-teacher of the Kalyanasundaram High School, Tanjore, a resident of Big Beeyalu Street, Tanjore brought to the notice of the Director of Public Instruction, Madras in his letter

dated 2-8-48 that the management of the Kalyanasundaram High School in general and the Secretary and the Treasurer in particular have been committing various acts of mis-management of the High School and its connected institutions involving Criminal Breach of Trust and other offences. The Dt. Educational Officer, Tanjore who was directed to enquire into the matter inspected the High School and submitted a report in Rc.532-B/48 dated 26-12-48 to the Director of Public Instruction, Madras and under the orders of the Govt. conveyed in Govt. Memo No.65593-B1/48-4 Edn. dated 4-3-49, the Divisional Inspector of Schools, Mathurai, has referred the matter to the Dt. Supdt. of Police, Tanjore in his Rc.615B/48 dated 14-3-49 requesting necessary investigation in the matter. The Divisional Inspector of Schools has forwarded to the Dt. Supdt. of Police, Tanjore, the entire file of records containing the petition dated 2-8-48 of K. Subramaniam Tanjore and the detailed report of the Dt. Educational Officer, Tanjore dated 26-12-48 with the connected records. A memo with a copy of the remarks of the Dt. Educational Officer was also sent to the President, Kalyanasundaram High School

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High School Educational Society by the Divisional Inspector of Schools calling for the explanation of the Committee.

The Inspector of Police, Tanjore after consulting the A.P.P. I Grade, Tanjore has directed the Sub-Inspector Tanjore Town to register a case and accordingly this case was registered. The F.I.R. in this case was handed over to me for investigation as per orders of the District Supdt. of Police, Tanjore and I commenced my investigation on 19-6-49.

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The Various acts of mis-management and mal-administration by the Treasurer A.1. and the Secretary A.2 have been examined by the Dt. Educational Officer, Tanjore and the results of his investigation are incorporated in his report dated 26-12-48. It is this report which is the basis of the present investigation.

Among the various defects noticed by the D.E.O. the following have been specifically mentioned in his report:- p 31 ante

That the Kalyanasundaram High School, Educational Society and the Governing body are not managing the institution satisfactorily and that the Society has not been enlarged as directed by the Advocate-General, Madras.

2. That the Trust funds of the Nana Tawker Endowment are not administered properly.

3. That the furniture made with the aid of Government grant are not new and genuine.

4. That the treasurer misused the funds of the School and the Society.

5. That the Secretary of the Institution, an adjudged Insolvent is virtually in control of the Institution.

6. That the funds of the Books and Stationery Society attached to the Institution are being misused.

7. That the surplus funds of the School are utilised without the previous approval of the authorities.

8. That the several properties movable and immovable got out of the land acquisition award (Layam grounds and Thattimal) were sold away and that the sale proceeds have not been credited to the School accounts.

9. That ~~the~~ dwelling houses were purchased opposite to the School but that the prices paid and the prices on the sale deeds are not one and the same i.e., the owners were paid less than the sale deed would indicate.

10. That a sum of Rs.12,000 was paid to the person who instituted the minor suit when the original suit itself failed in the lower court.

11. That the proceeds of a drama enacted by the staff to augment the School funds ~~for~~ were not credited to the School Funds.

12. That the Secretary has been taking advances frequently which are accounted for only on 31st March of each Financial year.

Of these items 1,5,7,10 and 11 refer only to acts of omission in regard to the administration of the Institution and they do not involve any violation of the Criminal Law and therefore these items have been excluded from the purview of the Investigation.

There thus remain only items 2,3,4,6,8,9 and 12. I shall deal with each of these items seriatim. P.T.O.

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Item 2:- That the Trust Funds of the "Nana Tawker Endowments" are not administrated properly. This refers to a certain endowment instituted in the year 1943 by one Nana Tawker for the purpose of providing Scholarships for students. This fund has to be administered by the Governing body of the Kalyanasundaram High School, Educational Society through a Committee. As per the Trust Deed the administration of the fund has to be carried on only by such a Committee, but so far no committee appears to have been formed for the purpose. Instead the accused have been allowed to be in management of the Funds. I perused the accounts relating to the administration of the endowment and found the following discrepancies therein:--

i) A sum of Rs.16/1- is found to have been paid by the lessee of the endowment properties on 1-6-45. The accounts do not show the receipt of this amount. I traced and examined in this connection the lessee Palaniyandi Mooppanar. He stated that actually a sum of Rs.15/8/- was paid by him in cash to A.2 as a sum of Rs.-9/- was taken by him for payment to the Paddy Merchant as Mahimikasu. I also perused the cash book relating to this and found a credit of Rs.38-3-0 on 1-6-45 representing the amounts received from the lessee. I also examined A.2 and he states that this Rs.38-3-0 includes also the sum of Rs.15.8.0 received from the lessee Palaniyandi Mooppanar. The receipt of Rs.16-1-0 therefore has been duly accounted for and no offence has been made out against A.2 with regards to this item.

ii) Similarly in respect of Rs.1/9/- being the Lease amount received from the lessee Palaniyandi Mooppanar in 1947, (30-6-47) there is no credit in the accounts. I examined the said lessee and he stated that the said entry on the lease deed was made without any corresponding cash being paid by him to A.2 as A.2 had waived the amount. Questioned on this, A.2 also corroborates the lessee. He stated that he gave away the amount to the lessee towards his batta. Thus in respect of this item also no offence is made out though it is not borne out by accounts.

In the course of the Examination of the accounts I noticed that certain sums of money from out of the Nana Tawker Trust have been diverted to the School Funds, Contrary to the terms of the deed and the balance of such advance due from the School Funds to the Trust Funds amounts to Rs.2950/-. This has been made possible probably due to the fact that the accused had been allowed by the governing body to be in charge of the management. All these advances have been duly brought to account in the School Records and there have been return of these advances also. At no stage the Governing body which is ultimately responsible for the management of the Trust have taken exception to this temporary diversion of the Funds. At any rate it has not been established either by evidence or by other circumstances that the accused used these funds for their personal ends. In the circumstances the accused cannot be held liable criminally for this temporary diversion of Funds.

There is however one instance where an advance of Rs.500/- was made to the treasurer A.1. in November 1947. There is no indication as to whether this Advance is for the purpose of the institution. This amount has been recouped only on 19-3-48. Even assuming that the treasurer A.1 has used it for his own purpose, in view of the fact that he is no more, no action is possible against him. A.2 cannot be held liable in respect of this amount. Because there is nothing to show that he conspired with A.1., to utilise the funds of the Trust.

Investigation has so far not made out any case against the accused in respect of the administration of the Nana Tawker Funds. The handling of the Trust Funds by A.2 was being allowed by the Governing body ever since the date of endowment and this by itself is insufficient to make out a case of breach of trust against the second accused. I also secured K. Subramaniam at whose instance the affairs of institution came to be examined and investigated.
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He is unable to specifically state the instances of misappropriation and breach of trust. The accounts of the funds are supported by vouchers etc., and are in order. There is nothing suspicious about any of the entries therein.

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Item No.3. That furniture made with the aid of Govt. Grant are not new and genuine.

This item refers to the purchase of the furniture for the School by the Secretary A.2 and a sum of Rs.7104 being the approved grant therefor is involved. It is alleged that the Secretary has been creating false documents in the matter of purchase of furniture for the School in that the Secretary has been manufacturing the articles directly instead of purchasing them from recognised dealers. I have perused the accounts, vouchers and other records relating to this transaction. A2 has admitted that he had these articles manufactured directly in the interest of economy and that he has used new wood and old wood. In fact the total cost of the articles comes to Rs.5423-7-6 as against a grant of Rs.7104/- It is not as if A2 has drawn the entire amount of Rs.7104/- by manipulating the accounts and appropriating the difference for himself. Every item of expense in regard to the manufacture of these articles is supported by vouchers which have been admitted by their executants to be genuine. In the circumstances the act of A.2 in having manufactured the articles himself instead of purchasing them from (a) recognised dealers is at best a violation of departmental instruction and no offence is disclosed by this act of A.2. There is no evidence to prove that he withdrew more money from the School funds and paid less amounts to the workers.

Item No.4:--That the treasurer misused the funds of the School and the Society:--

A perusal of the accounts of the School and the Society from 1-1-47 to 3-12-48 disclosed that the ex-treasurer A2 has been drawing heavy advances from the funds and wrongfully retaining this money and converting them to his own use. The entire amount has been repaid and the accounts adjusted on 3-12-48 after the enquiry by the D.E.O. No action is possible against him as he is dead.

Item No.6:- That the funds of the books and stationery society attached to the Institution are being misused:

On 2-7-48 A2 had requested the Ex-head master Krishnaswami Iyer to send a cheque for Rs.1000/- from the Book-Stall account of which A2, is the treasurer. In the Book-stall account this amount has been noted as advance to the treasurer A2 and the amount has been returned by A1 on 4-9-48 Rs.550/- and on 3-12-48 Rs.450/- There is no evidence to show that A2 had anything to do with this amount except that he had sent a chit to the Head-master to send a cheque. No evidence is available as to whom this amount was paid on encashment of the cheque. One clerk states that the amount was handed over by him to the Headmaster who was the secretary of the Books and stationery society on 2-7-48. The Headmaster denies that. In as much as the account shows the payment to A1. and recoupment from him the Headmaster is not responsible for this. In any event A.2's liability cannot be inferred from the mere fact of his sending a chit. The fact the amount was subsequently returned by A.1 dissociates A2 from this transaction.

Item No.3:-- That the several properties moveable and immoveable got out of the land acquisition award (Layam and Thattimal) was sold away and that the sale proceeds have not been credited to the School accounts.

It is alleged that under the head sale of rejected articles only a sum of about Rs.700/- has been credited to the accounts and that it is likely that more would have been realised by such sales. An examination of the accounts shows that a sum of Rs.1136-1-0 representing the sale of rejected articles has been brought to account

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account in the School accounts. I examined the Head-clerk Damodaran and clerk Govindasami Rao on this. They stated that a certain quantity of wood both rejected and condemned articles of building materials and logs of dead trees from the Layam Lands were available and as it was found difficult to dispose of them in one lump they were disposed of in bits to various persons including the teachers for nominal amounts. The total sale proceeds of these items would be about Rs.1126-1-0. I also examined in this connection one Ramanthan Iyer a teacher in this school who is said to be one of such pruchasers. He stated some pieces of woods were purchased by him as fuel and he is unable to remember exactly the amount for which he purchased and the date of purchase. He is however definite that he paid only at the current rates. Investigation is rendered difficult because a detailed list of the properties old and new is not available any where in the School. There is no evidence to prove that A2 realised more than what he actually credited in the School accounts in regard to this item.

Item No.9: That dwelling houses were purchased but the vendors were paid less than what the sale deeds represents

Buildings were purchased from 3 persons and I examined them on this allegation. They stated that they were paid the full amounts.

Item No.12:-- That the Secretary has been taking advances frequently which are accounted for only on 31st March of each financial year.

The Secretary A2 who had been the secretary of the Kalyanundaram High School, Educational Society and correspondent of the K.H. School from 31-7-45 to 3-1-49 has been obliged to draw as per the rules of the society advances from the funds of the society and the School for the purchase of materials or for works connected with the School. Accordingly he has been drawing frequent advances from the School funds, games funds etc., He had not accounted for the advances by producing vouchers of expenditure then and there as soon as one advance is spent. But proper accounts have been rendered by him supported by vouchers on the 31st March of every year and the vouchers of expenditures were duly admitted by the governing body. Though he renders the accounts only on 31st March of every year, there is no evidence of misappropriation of the advances. On 27-3-48, a sum of Rs.2224-4-0 was due from A.2. This amount was duly accounted for on 31-3-48. On 20-11-48 a sum of Rs.6699-10-8 was due from A2 and this has been duly accounted for by him on 31-12-48 supported by vouchers. On 31-3-48, A2 renders accounts of expenditures of a sum of Rs.521-2-0 drawn by him as an advance from the games account in 47-48. The following three vouchers show discrepancies as regards the dates of vouchers and the dates of admission of the vouchers.

Vouchers	Date of admission	Date of Voucher	Name of Signatory.
1. Rs.37/-	31-3-48	25-8-48	Subramania Pirāary
2. Rs.7/8/-	31-3-48	30-3-48	T.S. Govindasami Rao
3. Rs.550/-	-do-	10-8-47	Subramania Piriary.

I examined A2 on the genuineness of the above three vouchers and he stated that the said vouchers were truly obtained from the Signatories by him and that he has noted the dates under the signatures wrongly. The year should be 47 and not 48 as noted by him by mistake. I then examined both the signatories. They state that they have duly received the amounts from A2 then and there as noted in the vouchers in the year 1947 itself. It is therefore seen that A2 had noted the dates wrongly. Even if the vouchers were obtained at a later date the point for consideration is whether they have been actually paid. In this case the

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I have been consulting in the course of my investigation the A.P.P. Ist Grade Tanjore, and he is also of the opinion that as the evidence stands, no offence under any of these sections can be made out against the accused.

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For Director of Public Instruction

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Letter No. 65593 B/48-13 Edn. dated 10-12-49

Ref
To

Sri. S. Rm. Ramanathan Chettiar M.A.C.

Ramapad House

Tanjore (with enclosure)

Kalyanasundaram High School Tanjore -

Termination of services of Sri S.

Irishnaswami Ayyar - Headmaster

Reference your letter to the Hon'ble the Minister
for Education dated 3-8-49

I am directed to enclose for your
information a copy of the proceedings of
the D.P.D., No. 474 D3/49 D/11-49

Yours faithfully

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Letter
To
Mr. S. Ram Chettiar M.A.
(General Manager)
Tanjore
Kalyanasundaram High School Tanjore
For Minister of Education - Madras
Reference of my letter to the Hon'ble the Minister
for Education dated 2-8-49
I am directed to enclose for you
a copy of the proceedings of
the 2nd Dec. 48 & 4th Jan. 49
at the school.

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From
To
ASST. SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT
EDUCATION AND PUBLIC HEALTH DEPT.
29 NOV 1949

S. Krishnaswami Iyer, B.A., L.T.,
(Ex-Headmaster,
K.H.S.)
43, North Eda Street,
Puthur, Tiruchirapalli.

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MINISTER FOR EDUCATION
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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS

The Hon'ble Minister for Education
Government of Madras

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These unpleasant experiences and the reputation which the school might have suffered by the police investigation and so on must have made them more sober and more mindful

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of the interest of the institution in future.

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Sir, it is needless for me to add that the headmasters too contribute towards the growth of educational institution in the provinces and they are potent factors in dispelling darkness and bringing joy to the rising generation.

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Yours faithfully,

J. Krishnaswami
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From

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S. Krishnaswami Iyer, B.A., L.T.,
(EX-Headmaster,
K.H.S.)
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Government of Madras.

Through

The Director of Public Instruction, Madras.

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OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION, MADRAS.

Roc.474 D3.49 dated 9-12-'49. AS 3 92

Sub: Schools - Secondary - Aided - Service Conditions - K.H.S.Tanjore-
Termination of services of Sri S.Krishnaswami Iyer, Ex. Headmaster.
Ref: Letter dated 24-11-1949 from Sri S.Krishnaswami Iyer addressed
to the Hon'ble Minister for Education.

Submitted to Government in continuation of letter Roc.No.
474 D3/49 dated 5-11-1949 of the Director addressed to Government

With reference to Government Memorandum No.65.593.B1.48 dated 11-10-1949

2. No further action is called for in the matter. p109 ante

D. P. S. Paul
10/12/49

For Director of Public Instruction.

To
The Secretary to Government,
Education and Public Health Department,
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Ms. 9.12.
D. P. S. Paul

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Yours faithfully,

S. Krishnaswami Iyer
24.11.49

Copy to the Hon'ble Minister for Education. & Law.

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High School, Tanjore - Irregularities in management -
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From the S.P.G. Rec. No. 917 D3/47 d/24-1-49, 28-2-49,
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Order No 3892
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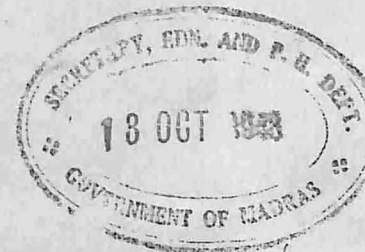
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Please see herewith a representation. The matter may be examined in consultation with Legal and seen whether anything can be done in the matter.



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The RPO was reminded :

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Another copy of this representation has been referred to the I.O. for remarks on 12.9.48. His reply is awaited. This may I.O. till 13/10/48.

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[C.No. 82 398 Representation from Sri T.V. Jayaram Naidu]

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Please see the representation by Sri Jayaram Naidu
at p. 7 of. The matter has already been referred
to the B.P.S. He has not yet submitted his report
regarding the mismanagement of the School.
A draft reminder is submitted for approval.

15/11/48
[Memo No. 655933, 48/-2 Edn. d/19.11.48] p10 of

C.Nos. 87922 and 88284. Two more representations
against the management of the Kalyanasundaram
High School, Tanjore have since been received and
added to the file.

The B.P.S.'s reply to the memo on p. 9 of may
be awaited till 15.12.48.

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The representation from Sri Sundaresan
and the minutes of H.M. (Edn) thereon are added to the
C.F. The matter is already under investigation and
the final report from the B.P.S. may be awaited till
5.1.49 (vide order at p. 19 of)

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[C.No 5271 from the B.P.S. Rec 917 B3/47 d/24.1.49]

Please see the report from the B.P.S. at p. 29 of.
He has stated that the ^{management of the} Kalyanasundaram High
School, Tanjore is ^{now} has been resorting to malpractices
and has been transgressing departmental rules. The
management has not chosen to implement the undertaking
given to the Adiccate General, that the general body
governing body of the Association of the ^{would} be enlarged.
The B.P.S. is of the opinion that this is a case

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where Govt. may justifiably launch legal proceedings against the management. It has been suggested in another file that the Dept. ^{will have to} resort to legal action in such cases of cheating ~~by~~ ^{by} management of aided schools. The file has been submitted to Fin. and legal for remarks. The question of launching legal proceedings against the management of the Kalayana-Swedam High School, may be considered after a decision is reached on the general issue.

The file may be circulated to H.M. (Edn) for perusal of the report from the D.P.S. with reference to his minutes at p 43 cf.

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26-1-49

- Are the previous papers on the following subjects:-
- (i) Enlargement of the School Society as proposed by the Advocate General in 1946. (para 1 on p 32 cf);
 - (ii) Nana Jawkar Scholarship Endowment Fund instituted in 1943 (para 2 on p 32-33 cf)

28-1-49

St. Anthony's High School for Girls, San Marcos

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With reference to the queries at 'A' on 7/1/49, it is submitted that there are no previous papers. The D.P.S. may be asked to furnish copies of the relevant papers. A draft memo is submitted for approval.

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Home Dept.

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b p 3 above

The file relates to the action to be taken against the management of the Kalyanasundaram aided secondary school, Tanjore, for irregularities committed by them. The D.P.I's report on p29c.f. and the E.P.H Secy's note on pp5-6 ante may be perused and the file returned to E.P.H.

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92.49 with E.P.H. Secy
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Please see the notes of Legal and Home Depts. above. They have agreed to this Dept's proposal that legal action should be taken against the Secretary and Treasurer of the Kalyanasundaram High School Tanjore. ~~that action should be taken~~ at 'A' on p. b. ante. The file may be circulated to H.M. (Edn) for orders whether the D.P.S may be instructed to proceed as suggested at 'A' on p. b. ante.

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A draft memo is submitted below for approval.

In a similar case (St. Anthony's girls' High School, San Thome) H.M. (Edn) has intimated that law officers should be

Report of the D.P.I. to the Government. The school should normally move in a case of this kind. The Supreme body is the Managing Committee. For a prosecution there is no objection. I hope that the D.P.I. may be asked to bring the case with a complaint before the local Magistrate. It may be better to bring a complaint before the Magistrate. The case is being moved to the local Magistrate. The case is being moved to the local Magistrate. The case is being moved to the local Magistrate.

Legal Department

Action may be taken as suggested by E. & P.H. Secretary at A above.

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ADDITIONAL ASST. SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT
HOME DEPARTMENT
7 FEB 1949

E & P.H. U.O. No. 655938/48-3 Edn.

ASSTANT SECRETARY
LEGAL DEPARTMENT
1 FEB 1949

consulted: the connected file has been sent to legal for advice.

The draft below which is in accordance with the orders overleaf, is for approval.

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S. W. J. M.

[Issued as Memo No. 65593 B, 48.4 Edm. d/ 4.3.49] p 47 of.

The investigation by the Police into the affairs of the Kalyanasundaram High School, Tanjore, is likely to take some time. It is therefore submitted that the papers may be recorded. A draft order is submitted below for approval.

No need to close this file now.

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Cor. 20980. From the D.P. 9 Ros. 917 83/48 & 16.3.1949 p 53 of

Please see the Director's letter on page 29 of. In his T.M. on 27.1.49, he enquired whether in view of the irregularities brought to notice in the management of the Kalyanasundaram High School, Tanjore, it is desirable to sanction the teaching grant for 1947-8 due to the High School. As the withholding of the grant may cripple the finances of the institution & teachers' salaries may remain unpaid, the D.P. 9 was informed by T.M. 3.3.49 that there is no objection to the grant being disbursed in the current year. He also reports that a proposal has now been made to change the correspondentship in favour of one Kandaswami Pillai. He also reports that it is not safe to entrust the teaching grant to the present correspondent of the school who is reported to be an adjudged insolvent and requests govt to reconsider their orders in regard to the disbursement of grant. In the circumstances stated by the D.P. 9, he may be informed that the grant may be withheld pending investigation into the affairs of the school by the Police.

In regard to the approval of the change in the Correspondentship

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of the school. The Director should exercise his discretion and refuse if necessary to approve the change proposed until the enquiry by the police is over. It is for consideration whether the D.P. 9 may be informed that he need not approve of the transfer of Correspondentship.

Maybe circulated to D.M. (Tanjore) for orders.

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Sri V.C. Kandaswami Pillai is a ^{well known} man. The correspondentship may be allowed to be transferred in his name and the grant may be disbursed in his name. If there is sufficient evidence against the previous correspondent, proceedings may be started against him.



and the D.P.I. was informed that his action in having intimated to the management at 3 months' salary in lieu of the notice was correct. In the present case, it would appear that the action of the D.P.I. in having advised the management of the Kalyanasundaram High School to reinstate the Headmaster would seem to be in order.

15/7/49 Legal

LEGAL DEPARTMENT.

The present case is distinguishable from the case referred by Education & Public Health Department at P on page 10 ante. In that case, the question of payment of three months' salary in lieu of notice seems to have been considered to be necessary as the agreement entered into by the Headmaster with the management provided for such payment---see paragraph 2 of the note of E&PH at pages 1--2 n.f. of G.O.No. 67, Education, dated the 8th January 1949. And there is also the fact that by rule 35 of the Grant-in-Aid-Code the Director has the power to deduct from the grant such amount as may be due to teachers arising out of an agreement under rule 12(i) of the Madras Educational Rules. The question whether the Director of Public Instruction has any right to interfere even where agreements have been entered into in the form prescribed will, therefore, have to be considered with reference to the terms of that agreement. The agreement, it is noticed, does not provide for any such interference. The instructions given at the end of the form prescribed by the Government do not form part of the agreement and cannot, therefore, be looked into--see in this connexion paragraph 2 of the note of this department at page 3 n.f. of G.O.No. 1459 Education dated the 10th May 1949. In the circumstances,

E&P.H.U.D. No.

55593 B, 48-6 Edn.
5-7-49



Thro' G.P. Section
30/6/49

Please see the minutes of HM (Edn) on page 9 ante.
A draft memo is submitted below for approval

[Issued as Memo No. 65593 B, 49-5 Edn. d/23.3.49.]
C.No 48059 from the D.P.G. Rec. No 474 D3/49 d/21.6.49.

Please see the letter from the Director at p 6 of. It has been reported that the Police are investigating into the affairs of the Kalyanasundaram High School, Tanjore. Meanwhile the management has dispensed with the services of the headmaster paying him 3 months' pay in lieu of notice. The Director is of the opinion that this move on the part of the management appears suspicious and seems to be calculated to thwart the purpose of the Police. On an appeal from the headmaster, the Director has issued orders that the headmaster should be reinstated forthwith and has requested that his action may be approved. The question whether a under the agreement (prescribed in G.O.No. 2406 Edn. dated 7.11.47) action can be taken in appeal is under consideration separately. In the circumstances stated it is for consideration whether the action of the D.P.G in having ordered the reinstatement of the headmaster may be approved as a special case pending a final decision on the general question.

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A case was disposed of in G.O.No.67, Education, dated 8-1-49. The appeal from a Headmaster of an aided School in Malabar Dt. whose services were terminated by the management without proper reasons was entertained and the matter was also brought to the notice of Govt.,

Education & Public Health may consider the desirability of amending the form of agreement suitably so as to incorporate the provision of the instructions and other necessary provisions in the agreement itself.

The Director of Public Instruction has stated that he has issued orders advising the management of the School to reinstate the Headmaster (The order issued by him is not in the file). If so, there seems to be no objection to approving his action, informing him at the same time of the legal position stated above.

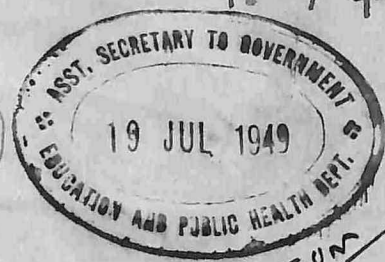
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Legal W.O. 8538-44-1

18.7.49



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The notes of the Legal Deptt. at p 11-12 ante may be perused. They are of the opinion that the draft form of agreement as prescribed in G.O. No. Ms. 2406 Edn d/7.11.47 does not vest the D.P.I. with any right to interfere even where agreements have been entered into. They advise that the form of agreement should be suitably amended so as to incorporate the provisions of the instructions in the agreement itself given at the end of the form prescribed. The D.P.I. may be requested to submit the necessary amendments. Legal have no objection to this Deptt approving

* Reply received and action taken separately

2) As regards the action of the D.P.I. in having advised the management of the Kalyanasundaram High School, Tanjore, to reinstate the Headmaster, Legal do have no objection to this Deptt approving it.

A draft memo is submitted below for approval.

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20/7/49

[Issued as Memo No. 65593 B, 148-7 Edn d/25.7.49] 1161-6246

Thro' G.O. 21.7.49

C.No. 60951 from Sri S.Rm. Ramanathan Chettiar, M.L.C
d/3-8-49.

Please see the representation from the Sri Ramanathan Chettiar at pp 65.67 of. regarding the affairs of the Kalyanasundaram High School, Tanjore. Sri Chettiar who is an ex. ex-president of the managing committee of the institution has alleged that the headmaster of the school was hand-in-glove with the previous correspondent in the all his malpractices and contends that the termination of service of the headmaster was the only course available for the new management in its endeavour to set things right. He therefore pleads that the management may be allowed a free hand by the D.P.I. in its reorganisation programme. The Director was forced to advise the management to reinstate the dismissed headmaster to facilitate the police enquiry.

2. In view of the minutes of H.M.(E.L) at p 65 of, the representation may be referred to the D.P.I. for a report. A draft memo is submitted for approval.

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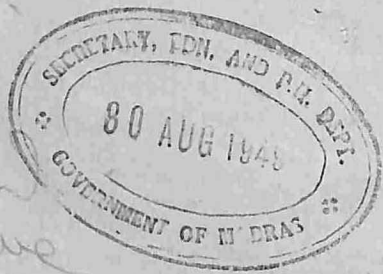
[Issued as Memo No. 65593 B, 148-8 Edn d/13-8-49]

H.M. desired that the D.P.I. may be advised to modify his direction regarding the reinstatement of the Headmaster in such a way that the Headmaster will not be placed in charge but will be regarded as on leave pending the report of the police on the investigation. The management should agree to pay the salary of the Headmaster during this period after which final orders regarding the Headmaster's employment will issue.

H.M. may see for confirmation.

H.M. (E.&L.)

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The management that their appeal is being examined. Pending that they will enter leave to act according to the order of the H.M. Keep the teacher as on leave paying his salary until he is disposed of. Copy to P.G.

A draft memo is submitted for approval.

Sd/-
31/8/49

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[Dated as Memo No. 65593 B, 48-10 Edn d/31-8-49] H-97-98 of

P.T.O.

C. No. 65593 B, 48.

Schools - Secondary - Aided - Kalyanasundaram High School, Tanjore - Dismissal of head-master.

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Telegram from Ramana than chettiar M.L.C d/13-8-49

Please see the reply paid telegram at p1-2 of and the minutes of H.M. (E.&L.) thereon at p1 of.

referred to the P.G.

In Memo No 65593 B, 48-8 Edn

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The telegram presumably relates to the representation already received from Sri Ramana than chettiar requesting that the management of the Kalyanasundaram High School, Tanjore may be allowed a free hand in the administration of the school and that he may be requested not to insist on the reinstatement of the Head-master of the High School who it is contended was dismissed only in the interests of the school. The representation has since been referred to the P.G. for remarks. His report may be awaited. Meanwhile it is for order whether Sri Ramana than chettiar may be informed telegraphically that the matter is under consideration.

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16/8/49. This is circulated to all (Edn) with reference to his minutes on p1 of.

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16/8/49

H.7 (E+L)

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A draft letter is submitted below for approval. With reference to the minutes above, it is submitted that the memo to the P.G. was despatched only on 20/8/49 and that the P.G. reminder may be issued on 1-9-49.

Sd/-
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[Issued as Letter/Ref No. 65593 B, /48-9 Edn d/ 24.8.49] — p96cf

Please see the note from the Secretary at p110 cf. The D.P.S. has not yet submitted the report called for in Memo No. 65593 B, /48-11 Edn dated 11.10.49. He may be reminded. The draft below is for approval.

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[Issued as Memo No. 65593 B, /48-12 Edn, d/ 3.11.49] p111cf
C.No. 86217 from the D.P.S. Rec. No. 474-D3/49 d/ 5.11.49. p112cf

Please see the letter from the D.P.S. at p112 cf stating that the Police investigation into the affairs of the Kalyanasundaram High School has been completed and that a ~~report~~ copy of the Police report will be submitted separately.

2. On an examination of the reports submitted by the D.E.O and the Divisional Inspector, the Director has concluded that the Headmaster of the High School was not altogether ~~free from blame~~ ^{involved} in the various malpractices indulged in by the previous correspondent. He therefore considers that the management is justified in having dispensed with the services of the headmaster. He has accordingly issued orders approving the ^{termination of services} ~~dismissal~~ of the headmaster from 1.11.49 and ~~also~~ instructing that the period from 19.5.49 to 1.11.49 (when the headmaster was not permitted by the management to carry out his duties) should be treated as leave with pay—vide his proceedings on p113 cf.

3. In these circumstances, the Director considers that no further action is called for in the matter. As the question of ~~launching~~ legal proceedings against the previous correspondent will no doubt be taken up by the Police, if considered necessary, as a

para 5 on p112cf

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para 5 on p112cf

result of their investigations, the Director's views may be concurred in.

4. The file may be circulated to H.M.(E&L) for perusal of the Director's report at p112 cf with reference to his minutes at p. 14 ante.

A copy of the Director's Proceedings on p113 cf may, perhaps, be sent to Sri Ramaswami Chettiar M.L.C, for his information in continuation of the Memo on pags 97-98 cf.

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S H.M.(E&L)

I must see the Police report. Ask D.O. to expedite submission

8/11/49

With reference to the orders of Secretary above, it is submitted that the D.P.S. has since submitted a copy of the police report, vide pages 115-120 cf.

The report and the remarks of the Director thereon at p114cf. may be perused.

2. It is observed from the letter from the D.S.P. Tanjore at p115 cf. that it is only against the Treasurer, one Mr. Viswanathan Iyer a case could be made out for temporary misappropriation of funds but that no action can be taken against him as he is no longer alive. It has also been reported that no case could be made out against any other member of the management, though they might have transgressed departmental instructions. It is also stated that there is no loss to the management.

3. In view of the Police report absolving all except the one ~~deceased~~ ^{deceased} member of the managing committee of all criminal implications in the matter, it appears that the action of the D.P.S. in having confirmed the termination of ^{the} services of the headmaster, is mainly for the transgression

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of Departmental rules. The Director's statement that he is awaiting the Divisional Inspector's report to debar the ex-correspondent, seems to confirm this ~~view~~ presumption.

In view of the Police report that there is no case for launching legal action against the management and in view of the Departmental action proposed to be taken by the D.P.G. no further action seems called for in the matter.

4. The file may be circulated to H.M. (E&L) for perusal of the reports of the Director and the D.S.P. Tanjore at pp 112-115 of and for order on 'P' overleaf.

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Explain what departmental rules have been transgressed

para 2 on p114 of

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With reference to Secretary's note above, attention is

solicited to the report submitted by the D.E.O. Tanjore at pp 31-37 C.F. which enumerates the various irregularities in the administration of the school. The action of the

management in having made the furniture required for the school without inviting tenders and entrusting the supply to the lowest tenderer is contrary to the provisions of the

Grant-in-aid code. Another serious irregularity is that the accounts were not properly maintained and the endowment

funds were diverted temporarily for school purposes without proper authority. Although the correspondent of the school

are ~~xxx~~ and the treasurer ~~are~~ primarily responsible for proper utilisation of the funds and maintenance of accounts, the

Director has taken the view that the headmaster was not free from blame in respect of the various irregularities. At any rate as he would have been aware of the action of the treasurer he

could have reported the matter to the departmental authorities and tried to rectify the defects in the administration of the school funds. The action taken by the D.P.I. against the headmaster is

They are also set out in the Police report on page 117 of

Para 3 on pp 33-34 of

Para 4, 6, 7, 8 of

para 31 of

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of disciplinary nature. The file may be circulated to H.M. (Edn) for perusal of the report of the Director and the D.S.P. Tanjore at pp 112-115 C.F. and for orders whether a copy of the proceedings on page 113 C.F. should be sent to Sri Ramanathan Chettiar M.L.C. for information.

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Attention is also invited to the concluding portion of the Police Dept. from which it will be seen that there has been no loss to the institution.

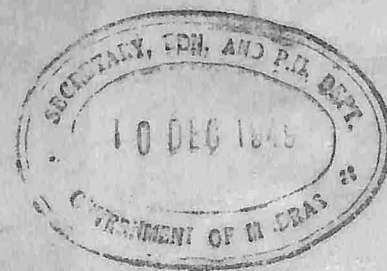
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HM(Edn)

The presumption that the Headmaster was privy to the actions of the Secretary is not supported by any evidence. No doubt, however, he is a 'proposus non grata' with his management, which does not wish to retain his services, nor may agree with the action taken by the D.P.I.

A copy of the Director's proceedings can be sent to Sri Ramanathan Chettiar, though probably he is aware of same already.

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A draft letter is submitted below for

approval

HM(Edn) saw his case on 22/8/49 (page 15) and the file may be closed after perusal by HM(Edn)

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[Issued as letter/Ref. No. 65593 B, /48-13 Edn d/10.12.49] p121cf

C. No. 93145 Petition d/ 24.11.49 from the ex-headmaster M/22-123cf
of the Kalyanasundaram High School, Tanjore.

C. No. 96801 from the D.P.G. Rec. No. 474 B3/49 d/9.12.49. p/26cf

Please see the petition from the ex-headmaster
of the Kalyanasundaram High School, Tanjore at M/22-123cf
against the orders of the D.P.G. ^{confirming the termination of} ~~terminating~~ his services. The
D.P.G. through whom the original of the petition was
forwarded considers that no further action is called for
in the matter. In view of P at page 19 ante, the Director's
views may be concurred in.

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2. As already ordered, the papers may now
be recorded. The draft order below is for approval.

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