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[Despatch Abstract.]

Legislative Council - Gov. No. 293 - Grants
and Subsidies to Corporation of Madras for
Elementary Education - Papers recorded

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SECRETARIAT OF THE MADRAS LEGISLATURE

(COUNCIL SECTION)

22-11-1948.

SHORT NOTICE STARTED.

SRI R. SURYANARAYANA RAO, M.L.C.

EDUCATION AND PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT.

* Q.No.293.

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(a) whether the Government have refused to pay the Corporation of Madras grant equal to the amount of education cess or tax collected by the Corporation;

~~(b) whether the Government are aware that Act XV of 1941 has retarded the progress of elementary education;~~

~~(c) whether this refusal may result in the closing down of elementary schools; and~~

~~(d) whether the Government are aware the Madras Repealing and Re-enacting Act (No.1) has extended the life of the ACT XV of 1941 only till the 30th April, 1948; and~~

(e) whether the Government have decided on their policy regarding aid to elementary education in the province?

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Secretariat of the Madras Legislature
(Council Section)

22-11-1948.

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

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(b) whether this refusal may result
in the closing down of ele. schools; and

(c) whether the Govt. have decided
on their policy regarding aid to ele.
education in the province?

(a) The statutory contribution
payable to local bodies in respect
of education tax is based on the
rates ^{in force} prior to 1941.

The request of the Corporation
for an equivalent contribution
based on the ^{forced} ^{collected} ^{at} ^{the} ^{rate} ^{of} ^{the} ^{tax} ^{was} ^{therefore} ^{refused}.

(b) There is no information
on this point.

(c) There is no intention
to change the present policy.

To

The Sectt. of the Madras Legislature,
(Council Section) 5 copies

The Pub. (Ele.) Dept.

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MADRAS LEGISLATURE (COUNCIL SECTION) QUESTION NO.293 SHORT NOTICE
STARRED.

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(c) whether the Government have decided on their policy regarding aid to elementary education in the province?

EDUCATION AND PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT.

A N S W E R.

(a) The statutory contribution payable to local bodies in respect of education tax is based on the rates of education tax in force prior to 1941. The request of the Corporation for an equivalent contribution based on the entire proceeds of tax collected at present, was therefore refused.

(b) There is no information on this point.

(c) There is no intention to change the present policy.

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To the Secretariat of the Madras Legislature (Council Section)
To the Public (Elections) Department.

The above answer has been approved by Hon'ble Mr.T.S.
Avinasilingam Chettiar.

E. & P.H.U.O.NO.87322-B2/48

Dated 1st December 1948. *LR*

Answered on 25/1/49
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MADRAS LEGISLATURE (COMMONS SECTION) QUESTION NO. 225 SHORT NOTICE
21/12/48

SRI R. SUBRAMANIAM RAO, M.A.C.

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(a) whether the Government have refused to pay the Corporation of Madras grant equal to the amount of education cess or tax collected by the Corporation;
(b) whether this refusal may result in the closing down of elementary schools; and
(c) whether the Government have decided on their policy regarding aid to elementary education in the province.

EDUCATION AND PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT.

A N N A R.

(a) The statutory contribution payable to local bodies in respect of education tax is based on the rates of education tax in force prior to 1947. The request of the Corporation for an equivalent contribution based on the entire proceeds of tax collected at present was therefore refused.

(b) There is no information on this point.

(c) There is no intention to change the present position.

The Secretary of the Madras Legislative Council (Commons Section) to the Public (Education) Department.

The above answer has been approved by Hon'ble P.T.C.

12/12/48

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Edu + P. H. Dept (B2)

Memo NO 87322-B2/48-2 Edu 871248

Subj: Ele Edu - Corporation of Madras

It has been brought to the notice of the Govt. that unless they sanctioned an increased contribution under section 37 of the E.E Act to the Corporation of Madras, there is a likelihood of the Corp. closing down some of its 94 schools. The A.P.I. is requested to report ^{whether the condition of elementary school} as to how the present ^{or Corporation} position will be affected if Govt. was not to increase the subsidies ^{now} paid.

To ✓ DDP
8-12-48
Shree 1 P. S. S.

by
6/12/48

AM
7/12/48

by
6/12/48

Memo. NO. 87322 B2/49-3 Edn/ 3.2.49.

Sub:- Ele. Education - Corporation
of Madras.

Ref :- Govt. Memo - 87322 B2/48-2, Edu.,
dated 28.12.48

The D.P.G. is requested to
expedite the reply to the memorandum
cited above.

SM
3/2/49

Ed P.H. Dept.

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12/2/49

To

The D.P.G.

SM
3/2/49

K.D. - 2/3

From

The Director of Public Instruction,
MADRAS.

To

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

Roc.No.2644 B1/48 dated 7-3-49.

Sir,

Sub: Elementary Education-Madras Corporation-increased
subsidy under section 37-asked for-

Ref: Government Memo No 87322/B2/48-2 Edn dated
12-9-48.

2. Letter Roc.No.851-C/48 of the District Educational
Officer, Madras dated 22-2-49.

I submit herewith a copy of the above letter of the
District Educational Officer, Madras on the subject. I agree
with his remarks and recommend the grant of increased subsidy
to the Madras Corporation.

YOURS FAITHFULLY,

S. S. Sankaralingam
10.3.49

for DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION.

3.10/3.

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12/3/49

on 9/3



Sub: Elementary Education-Corporation of Madras-Grant-Section 37
Request -Remarks-submission of-

With reference to your proceedings cited above, I have to state that consequent on the increase in the population of the City the number of children of schoolage has also been increased by the percentage of schoolage children enrolled has come down. This is mainly due to lack of adequate accommodation and equipment.

3. The condition of elementary schools under the Corporation will be affected if Government do not propose to increase the subsidies now paid.

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for DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION

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VERY URGENT

SECRETARIAT OF THE MADRAS LEGISLATURE,

Fort St. George, dated the 22-11-1948.

QUESTION.—No. 293 for the meeting of the Legislative
Council ~~to be held on the~~ 1948.

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

The question has been admitted.

2. Mr. R. Srinivasan, M.L.C. who has given notice of the
above question requests that the period of notice prescribed for answering it
may be waived. A copy of his letter, dated the 24/11/48 together with
a copy of the question proposed to be asked is annexed.

3. The Hon. the Minister for Education has been is requested to
state whether he will consent to the waiver of notice asked for, and if so, when
he will answer the question.

To

The E and P. H. Department.

~~The Hon. the Minister for~~

w. o. 7723 / 44-6 H. L.
22-11-48

87322-15-16 NF
(X)

Clause (a) of the question:- Attention is solicited to the note on pp. 27-38 of G.O.No.1408, Edn., dated 31-5-1948. As explained therein, the Govt. are not now under an obligation to pay a contribution to local bodies in respect of the Education tax ^{newly} levied or increases in the rate of education tax sanctioned after 1941. It is also well-known that the ^{from} finances of the Province will not admit of any additional expenditure on the payment of contributions to local bodies ^(save a mere 2 paise) towards the entire proceeds of the education tax realised by them. The restriction imposed ^{by} in the Amendment Act of 1941 applies not only to Corporation ^{of Madras} but to other local bodies as well. Any relaxation of this restriction will have to be considered as a general question and an exception cannot be made in the case of Corporation alone. It may be noted that ~~the~~ deputation of the Corporation waited on H.M. on the 20th of August and the position was made known to the deputation by H.M.

4-11-20 NF
(X)

Clause (b) of the question:- There is no information on this point. If the Corporation has not sufficient funds for maintaining all its elementary schools it is open to ^{it} the Corporation either to improve its resources or to curtail expenditure in any manner which it may think fit.

22/11/48
The question is not clear. There is no intention to change the present position. A draft answer is subd. for consideration. No file may be submitted to H.M. for orders.

22/11/48

Another copy of this question was put up to me. I said that this question may come in the ordinary. I have already said on that that it is unnecessary to accept to answer at short notice. There is no urgency in the matter.

P.T.C.

Before finalising the answer, I would like to know the total expenditure on elementary education by the Corporation and the amounts that we are giving it as contribution.

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26.11.48



The receipt & charges for 1948-49 as submitted by the Corporation are as follows:-

Receipt	at Rs.
25% tax	12.00
Govt. contribution in respect of 25% tax	6.12
Other subsidies	.43
Contribution from the general fund	5.00
Other receipt	10.5
<u>Total</u>	<u>23.60</u>
Charges	23.81

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(A)

The expenditure on elementary ed. is borne by the income from 25% tax from Govt. subsidies and from the general account of the Corporation in the following proportion:-

from 25% tax	57%
Govt. subsidies	28%
General fund of the Corporation	21%



DM
27/11/48
by 27/11/48
H. (Cm.)

I presume that the 6.12 lakhs that we are paying as contribution is equal to the education tax which was levied by the Corporation before the 1941 Amendment was introduced.

The answer to (a) may be as corrected.

(contd.)

With regard to (b), the answer may be approved, but the information may be obtained to answer supplementaries.

The answer to (c) may be approved.

87322/48

18A
30.11.48

It is not clear as to what information is required in regard to clause (b) of the question for answering supplementaries. Perhaps the D.P.I. may be requested to furnish a report as to how the running of the old schools in the city will be affected if Govt. do not pay any additional subsidy. One draft below is for approval.

10/11/48
not yet sent

DM
27/11/48
by 27/11/48

page 7 of (Issued memo 87322-32/48-23 8/12/48)
pages 9-11 From the D.P.I., No. 2644-S, 1/48, dated 7.3.1948.

Please see H.M.'s minute at 'A' above, the memo on page 7 of and the D.P.I.'s reply on pages 9-11 of. The information was called for only for the purpose of answering supplementaries. The question of increasing the subsidies payable to the Corporation may be considered if that be raised the question. The papers may be received after the receipt of the Reg. Cl. proceeding dated 25.1.1949 (on which date the question has been answered).

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Mr. A. N. S.
P. L. by 1/12/48
Reg. Cl. by 1/12/48
or 2/12/48
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1/12/48

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Legislative Council debate proceedings
held on 25th Jan. 49.

Aid to elementary education.

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SRI R. SURYANARAYANA RAO:—"May I know, Sir, whether the Government have considered the desirability of repealing the Act of 1941 which has enabled the Government now to refuse the contribution to the Corporation?"

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

"Government very much sympathise with the suggestion and they would like to contribute as much as possible but in the present finances of the Province they are unable to do so. I think we must await better finances."

Please see the extract above. No further action is necessary. The papers may be

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