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Colleges - St. Xavier's College,
Balaramkottah - Principal, Staff
and hostel warden - Papers
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K. T. Kosalram, M. L. A.,



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Arumuganeri,
Tinnevely Dt.
30-10-1948.

My dear Mr. T. S. Avinasilingam Chettiar,

I regret very much to bring to your notice that Rev. Fr. Arulanandam S. J. the Warden of St. Xavier's College, Palamcottah seems to be a disgrace to teaching profession. He is alleged to have openly stated in the presence of students that,

1. "When a few years ago, Pandit Nehru declared that as Britain involved India in the unwanted War without the consent of Indians, that the whole India should sever connection with Britain. Now he has voluntarily gone to Britain without disgrace".
2. India Government is no more the Government of India, but it has now become the Government of Pandit Nehru who is as the Dictator of the Dominion.
3. He has used the phrase "ILL BORN AND ILL BRED" to a student who happened to be the son of a Police Sub Inspector. The Sub Inspector (father) on hearing this went direct to the College and warned him that he will be properly taught a lesson when he came out of the College Compound. The warden got afraid and went to the latter's house and apologised.
4. When he was deputed as the Head Master of the High School Section of the institution for a short period, he used the same phrase to his pupils and the students had to leave the hostel. Those pupils are still staying outside and attending classes. Their request to be admitted again in the Hostel has been turned out.
5. He always propagates against the introduction of Hindi among the students.

If a private and secret inquiry is made, the students will substantiate the above.

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The warden's teaching licence should be cancelled after enquiry.

I request early action may be taken.

Yours sincerely,

K. T. Kosalram
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To The Hon'ble Sri. T. S. Avinasilingam Chettiar
Minister for Education
Madras

K. T. Kosalram, M. L. A.,



Arumuganeri,
Tinnevely Dt.
30-10-1948.

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My dear Mr. T. S. Avinasilingam Chettiar,

Some responsible and trustworthy students report to me that one Arulappan, the Tamil Pandit of the St. Xavier's College, Palamcottah is always advising the students that it is at-
-ans to study Hindi which is not at all wanted by them, and that those students who simply waste and devote their time in study-
ing this foreign language will in no way be benefitted in their walk of life etc.

This sort of mischievous propaganda by teachers gives room among young student very bad impression and hatred towards the Government.

Unless this kind of poisonous probagandas are nipped in the bud, it will cause great consequences.

I find that many of the students will have the courage to give evidence if a secret inquiry be made.

I therefore request that immediate and suitable action be taken against this particular teacher and severe punishment awarded, so that, it will be a lesson to teachers of this type. His teaching certificate also may be cancelled.

Yours sincerely,

K. T. Kosalram
30/10

To The Hon'ble Sri. T. S. Avinasilingam Chettiar
Minister for Education
Madras

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TO THE HON. THE T. S. ADVISORY COMMISSION

Some responsible and trustworthy persons report to me that one Arulappan, the Tamil teacher of the St. Xavier's College, Palamcottah, is giving a statement to the Government to the effect that on the part of the Government to cancel his certificate to teach Tamil which is not at all wanted by him, and that those statements are at all times and places in the Tamil language will in no way be beneficial in the world of this etc.

This sort of mischievous propaganda by teachers, who are not only students but also in the position of teachers, is very dangerous to the Government.

Under this kind of serious propaganda the right in the past, at this time, is not to be maintained.

I think that many of the students will have the courage to give evidence to a court in this matter.

I therefore request that the Government should take action to cancel his certificate to teach Tamil and severe punishment awarded, so that it will be a lesson to teachers of this type. His teaching certificate should be cancelled.

Yours sincerely,

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College - St. Xavier's College,
Palamcottah - Rev. Fr. Arulanandam,
S.T., warden - Mr. Arulappan,
Tamil Pandit - Complaint
against -

Memo. No. 676 93/48-1. Edu. 18/11/48.

Copies of ^{two} Do. letters dt- 30/10/48
addressed by Sri K.T. Kosalram,
M.L.A., Arumuganeri, Trinneveli dt,
to HH (Edu) are forwarded to the
D.P. He is requested to enquire
into

From,
M. A. Shanmugavel Nadar,
Eral,
Srivaikuntam Taluk.
24-II-1948.

To
The Honourable Minister for Education,
Government of Madras,
Madras.

Sir,

38341 I beg to place for your the following facts for your kind consideration and necessary action.

1. My son S. Namasivayam was a student in the Senior Intermediate Class of the St. Xaviers' College, Palamcottah till 2-II-48, on which date he was suddenly asked by the warden of the Hostel and the Principal of the College to leave the institution at once without any justification whatsoever.

2. The warden of the hostel Rev. Father Arulanandam is very unpopular among the students of the hostel on account of his persistent vile vituperative and open abuse of the National Leaders and the Congress. He carries on a propaganda against the introduction of Hindi in the Schools and Colleges. He denounces Hinduism in the most unseemly manner. If the students protest, he used to answer that the College was intended for Catholics and students of other religious faith have no place therein and they may leave it. Naturally all these acts of the warden alienated the sympathies of the students and they were greatly agitated. This is what I learnt on my enquiry about the cause the estranged feelings between the students and the warden.

3. It appears that during the Deepavali Holidays, writings like "நேடுதொடும்புடிதொடும்புடி" were found written on the walls of the hostel latrine. My son had left the hostel for his native place on the 29th October '48 and returned on the morning of the 2nd November '48. This will be borne out by the hostel records. The writings were found on the walls on 3I-IO-48. The warden alleged that on a comparative study of the hand writing of all the students of the hostel, he suspected my son, and on his returning to the hostel on 2-II-48, he was asked to leave the College. I beg to submit that this is a highly arbitrary and unjust. During the period, the writing detected was detected, my son was absent from the hostel and therefore he could not have been by any stretch of imagination the author of the writing. There is absolutely no proof that he wrote it or had opportunity to write it. On the other hand his absence at a village about 30 miles away precludes all the possibilities of his having written it. Without any proof my son was chosen for victimisation to scare away other boys.

4. I was at Colombo at that time and was called here by Phone. My representation to the warden and the Principal of the above facts were of no avail. My son was asked to leave the College by taking Transfer Certificate on pain of being reported to the University. This was done at the fag end of the term when he had to sit for his Selection Examination. It was specifically directed that in the application for Transfer Certificate no mention should be made of the real cause and that "I found it inconvenient to continue my son's studies" transfer certificate may be granted. I had no other alternative except to comply with it, in the interest of my son. I took the Transfer Certificate and with great difficulty I have got him admitted in the M.D.T. Hindu College, Tinnevely.

P.T.O.

into the complaints made against
Rev. Fr. Arulanandam, S.J.,
and Mr. Arulabhan, Tamil Pandit,
St. Xavier's College, Palamcottah,
and send a report to Govt. at a
very early date.

To

For the P.I. (with
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5. May I request you to direct an enquiry to be made into this high-handed arbitrary and grossly unjust action of the warden and the Principal of the St. Xaviers College, Palamcottah and render justice.

Yours faithfully,

Copy to Sri. K.T.Kosalram, M.L.A., Arumuganeri.
do Sri. Sankarasubramania Mudaliar, M.L.A., Tinnevely.

E. & P.H. (G.3)

College - St. Xavier's College, Palamcottah - Rev. Fr. Arulanandam, S.J., warden - Complaint against.

Memo. No. 82676 83/48-2 Edn., dated 2/12/48

A copy of letter from Mr. H.A. Shanmugavel Nadar, forwarded
Ernal, Srivaikuntam Taluk, dated 24-11-1948, is ~~communicated~~
to the D.P.I. in continuation of Memo. No. 32676-63/48-1
Edn. dated 18.11.1948.

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The D.P.I. (~~XXXXXXXX~~
with encl - copy of
p.p.7-8 c.f.)

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College - St Xavier's College,
Palamcottah - Complaints against
the ~~Principal~~ ^{Principal} ~~Warden~~ ^{Warden} of the hostel.

Ans Hostel.
30.11.48

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Ref. 82676 83/48 - 3 Level 2/2/48

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Re Registrar,
University of Madras.

College - St Xavier's College,
Palamcottah - Complaints against
the ~~Principal~~ ^{Principal} ~~Warden~~ ^{Warden} of the hostel.

I am directed to forward for such action as may be deemed fit, by the University Authorities, a copy of a representation from Sri M. A. Shanmugavel Nadar of Eral containing complaints against the Warden of the St Xavier's College Hostel.

Ans Hostel.
30.11.48

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Colleges - St. Xavier's College,
Palamcottah - Rev. Fr. Anilaneudam,
S.T. - warden - Mr. Anilabhar,
Jamil Paudit - Complaint.

CNo. 82676/68

Memo 8267683/48-4 Edw - 8/1/47

The attention of the
Office is invited to Memos. Nos.

82676 R3/48-1 Encl-18/11/48 and
82676 R3/48-2 Encl-2/12/48

and he is requested to state when his reply may be expected.

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To
The D.P.I

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Colleges - St.Xavier's College, Palamcottah - Rev.Fr. Arulanandam, S.J. warden - Mr.Arulappan, Tamil Pandit - Complaint.

Memo.No.82676/48-5 Edn., dated 16.2.49.

The attention of the D.P.I. is invited to Memos.Nos.82676-G3/48-2 Edn., dated 18.11.48 and 82676-G3/48-2 Edn., dated 2-12-48 and reminder thereon dated 8.1.49 and he is requested to state when his report may be expected.

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Office of the
Director of Public Instruction,
Madras, Dated 14-2-1949.

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

Sir, Sub: St. Xavier's College, Palamcottah - Allegations against
certain members of the staff.



Ref: Govt. Memo. No.82676-G.3/48-1 dated 18-11-1948 and 2-12-48

With reference to the Government Memo. cited I submit herewith
a copy of the report Rc- No. 1135 B/48, dated 30.12.48 of the
Divisional Inspector of Schools, Mathurai Dvn, on the subject
indicated above.

Of the three persons reported against, no action can be taken
against Fr. Arulsamy, Principal of the college and Sri Arulappan
(Tamil Pandit) as there is very little evidence. But, as regards
the allegations against Rev.Fr. Arulanandam, Lecturer of the
College the remarks of the management of the college ~~are~~ being
called for. I shall submit a further report on the action to be
taken against the Rev.Fr. Arulanandam on receipt of the report
from the Management of the College.

Yours faithfully,

Jt. Director of Public Instruction.

Copy of letter Rc. No. 1135 B/48 dated 30.12.48 from the
Divisional Inspector of Schools, Mathurai to the Director of
Public Instruction, Madras.

I have the honour to state that I have received two references
on the above subject.

The Hon'ble Minister for Education with his note dated
6.11.48 sent an unsigned communication dated 4.11.48 purporting
from the students of St. Xavier's College, containing allegations
against the Principal of the College and the warden (The Rev. Fr.
Arulanandam) of the hostel. This was sent to the Dt. Educational
Officer, Tirunelveli West for confidential enquiry and the
report dated 16.12.48 received from his is herewith submitted.

Meanwhile, I received the Director's reference Roc. No.
3360 E/48 dated 11.12.48.

During my recent tour in Tirunelveli, I made some confidential
enquiries independent of the enquiries made by the Dt. Educational
Officer, but on account of the X'mas holidays, I could meet
only a very small number of college students.

The allegations contained in the communication dated 4.11.48
seem to be fairly true.

Sri R. Vijayaraghavan, III year student (Mathematics group),
whom I met, orally informed me that the Principal of the College

takes Moral Science and he generally criticises the policy of the Present Madras Government particularly with reference to the Bill regarding the Requisition of school buildings, now under the consideration of the Government; it seems, he generally creates occasions to divert from the topic and criticises the Government. The incident referred to in the communication dated 11-11-1948 is generally true according to K. Vijayaraghavan. Sri A. Narayanan, another III year U.C. student whom I met completely denied any knowledge and he said that there had been no such occasion. Another student, Sri K. Venkatachari of the III year class, also informed me that the Principal usually diverts from the topic in the Moral Science class and criticises the Government. It is most undesirable that a responsible Principal of the College should introduce controversial political issues in the class and spoil the mind of the youngsters.

The students are terribly afraid of the college authorities and hence they do not speak frankly and unable to give written statements.

As regards the allegations against the warden of the hostel, attention is invited to the statement given by Sri S. Namasivayam. He corroborates the statements contained in the letter dated 24-11-48 from Sri M.A. Shanmuga-Nadar, Srivaikuntam.

With reference to the letter dated 30-10-1948 of Sri K.T. Kosalram, M.L.A., all allegation against the Rev. Fr. Arulanandam is generally true. The incident has happened when he was the Headmaster of the High school - please see the statement given by A. Arumugam, who was in the school final class in 1947-48. I could not meet the other students, as they were not available. I understand that the Rev. Fr. Arulanandam was at Trichy, a few years back, and there was also some such incident. The allegations against the Rev. Fr. Arulanandam are of serious nature and disciplinary action is desirable.

As regards Arulappan, Tamil Pandit, I have not been able to get any information. During my next visit, when the College will be working, I shall make further inquiries, if the Director desires.

(TRUE COPY)

Joint Director of Public Instruction.

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Re No 3360 E4/48.

Office of the
Director of Public Instruction,
Madras, dated 11th March, 1949.

From

The Director of Public Instruction,
Madras.

To

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

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Colleges -- St. Xavier's College, Palamcottah
Rev. Fr. Arulanandam S.J., Arulappan, Tamil
Pandit -- Complaint against the -- Report of
the correspondent of the college -- Submitting.

PP 546, + 19 ante

Ref: 1. Govt. Memo. No. 82676 G3/48-1 Education dated 18.11.48 and 2.12.48
2. My letter Rc.No. 3360 E4/48 dated 14.2.49.

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In continuation of my letter read above, I submit herewith a copy of letter dated 23.2.1949 received from the Correspondent, St. Xavier's College, Palamcottah for the information of Government.

Yours faithfully,

GAW/11.3.49.

for Director of Public Instruction

Copy of letter dated 23.2.1949 from Rev. S. Rayappan S.J. Correspondent, St. Xavier's College, Palamcottah to the Joint Director of Public Instruction, Madras.

With reference to your Proceedings Rc.No. 3360 E4/48 I regret to say that the allegations made against Rev. Fr. Arulanandam are baseless and cannot be proved. I can confidently assert that Fr. Arulanandam has nothing but admiration for India's Prime Minister's governmental policy that he is sacrificing himself for the welfare of the students night and day and that he is incapable of making such irresponsible statements as alleged. I am satisfied as a result of careful enquiry that he has not made any such statements.

It is true that S. Namasivayam was accused of having written filthy and libellous statements on the wall of the hostel latrine. He was confronted with proofs, and his father was given the option between asking for his son's T.O. and having the case sent up to the Registrar of the University. The father begged to be given the T.O.

(True copy)

for Director of Public Instruction

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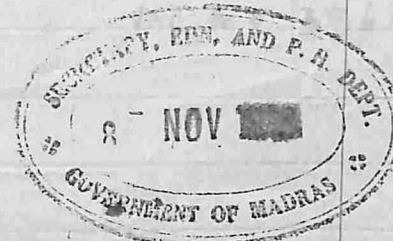
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Secretary, E.& P.H.

May be enquired into and put up.

H.M. Education.



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E. & P.H. (G13)

Please see the two D.O. letters from Sri K.T. Kosalvaan, M.H.A. to HH(Edu) on p.p. 1-2 of and the minutes of HH(Edu) above. A draft ~~is~~ ^{memo} to the D.P.I. is subd. for approval.

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(Issued as Memo.No. 82676-G3/48-1Edn., dated 18.11.48 From Sri M.A. Shanmugavel Nadar, Eral, Srivaikuntam Taluk, dated 24-11-1948.

Please see the letter from Mr. M.A. Shanmugavel Nadar on p.p. 7-8 e.f. A copy of this letter may be sent to the D.P.I. in continuation of the memo. on p.p. 5-6 e.f. A draft ~~memo~~ ^{is} subd. for approval.

30/11/48 A copy of the letter on pages 7-8 of may be sent also to the Registrar, University of Madras for which action may be deemed fit by the University authorities. The drafts below are for app.
less 30.11.48
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(Issued as Memo.No.82676-G3/48-2 Edn., dated 2-12-48)
(Issued as Lr.Ref.No.82676-G3/48-3 Edn., dated 2-12-48).
(Issued as Memo.No.82676-G3/48-4 Edn., dated 8.1.49.)

~~PLEASE~~ The D.P.I. has not sent his reply to the memos on p.p.5-6 e.f. and p.9 e.f. A draft reminder is submitted for approval.

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15/2/49
15.2.49

[Forwarded as Memo No. 82676-G3/48-5 Edn.]

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C.No. 12861/47. From the D.P.I. Re. 3366-E4/48

21-16/2/49

Please see D.P.I.'s letter on p. 15

and its enclosure on p.p. 15-16 e.f.

D.P.I.'s further report in the matter may

be awaited till 15/3/49.

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C.No. 19509/49. From the D.P.I. R.e. No. 3330 E.4/48 dated 11.2.49.

The file relates to the complaints made against certain members of the teaching staff of the St. Xavier's College, Palamcottah. Mr. Kosalram, M.L.A. in his D.O. on p.p. 1-2 e.f. reports that ~~xxx~~ Rev. Fr. Arulanandam, S.J., the warden of the St. Xavier's College, Palamcottah, has been openly attacking Mr. Nehru and his National Govt. and has been propagating against the introduction of Hindi among the students. In his

D.O. on p. 3 e.f., Mr. Kosalram states that Mr. Arulappan, the Tamil ~~parit~~ of the above College, is preaching anti-Hindi ~~xxxxxx~~. He therefore requests action to be taken against the above teachers. Ideas to the students of the college. Mr. M.A. Shanmugavel Nadar,

Erail, Srivaikuntam Taluk, in his letter on p.p. 7-8 e.f. states that the warden of the hostel is very unpopular among the students

on account of his vile and vituperative abuse of the National leaders and the Congress and that he denounces Hinduism openly.

He states that his son, Namasivayam, who was studying in the ~~Senior Intermediate class~~ ^{II-U.C.} and who was also a resident in the hostel was without any ~~basis~~ ^{indulged in objectionable writings} accused of having written filthy literature on the walls of the latrine, while actually his son was absent ~~xxxxxxx~~ from the hostel in a place about 30 miles ~~on~~ ^{away} on the date of the above occurrence, and ~~xxx~~ ^{xxx} he was forced to take his son's ~~T.C.~~ ^{transfer certificate}, and have him admitted into the M.D.T. College.

The D.P.I. who was consulted ~~on all the matters~~ in the matter states that of the three persons reported against, ~~xxx~~ viz., ~~xxx~~ Mr. Arulswami, the Principal of the College,

(2) Mr. Arulappan, Tamil Pandit and (3) Rev. Fr. Arulanandam, Warden of the hostel, no action can be taken ^{against} Fr. Arulswami (Principal) and Mr. Arulappan, (Tamil Pandit), as there is very little evidence. He has forwarded a copy of the report submitted

by the Divisional Inspector of Schools, Mathurai. As regards the complaint against Mr. Arulanandam, Warden, the D.P.I. has forwarded to Govt. a copy of the letter he has received from the Correspondent of the College, in the matter. The Correspondent states that the allegations against Fr. Arulanandam are baseless and cannot be proved, that Fr. Arulanandam has got nothing but

admiration for India's Prime Minister's governmental policy and that he is satisfied as a result of careful enquiry that ~~xx~~ Rev. Fr. Arulanandam has not made such statements as alleged against him. As regards the student S. Namasivayam, he states the student was accused of having written filthy and libellous statements on the wall of the latrine, that the boy was confronted with proofs of his action, and that his father who was given the option of taking his son's ~~T.C.~~ ^{transfer certificate} or having the case sent up to the Registrar of the Madras University, ~~xxx~~ ^{begged to be given the T.C.}

In the circumstances, the charges against the staff of the college ~~have not~~ ^{could be held to have} been proved. No action therefore seems to be called against ~~xxx~~ ^{xxx}. It is for orders whether Mr. Kosalram may be informed that the Govt. have instituted the necessary enquiries, with reference to his D.Os. on p.p. 1-3 e.f. and

and that they are satisfied that no action is necessary against the teachers ~~concerned~~ complained against. No reply seems necessary to the letter on p.p.7-8 c.f. The file may now be circulated to H.M.(Edn) with reference to his minutes on p.1 ante.

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H.M. (Edn.)

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Even if there were any thing, his enquiry would set it right. Nothing more need be done. No reply necessary. He is here. / Shall be done.



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23.3.49

Please refer minutes of H.M.(Edn) above. The papers may be
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Principal
Staff
Hostel
Warden

Abstract:-
College - St. Xavier's
College, Palamcottah -
Rev. Fr. Andamanam,
S.T., Warden
Mr. Andamanam,
Principal - Mr.
Andamanam, Tamil
Laudit, Complaints
against 7 Papers
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Copy to D.P.S. with ref. this letter
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