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SRI V. C. PALANISWAMI GOUNDER, M.L.A.,
EDUCATION AND PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT.

Q.No. 341.

Will the Hon. the Minister for Public Works
be pleased to state:-

(a) how much money has been spent on the
Engineering college at Coimbatore up to date -

(i) for capital and (ii) for maintenance;

(b) what the buildings already construc-
ted or under construction and what the
buildings still to be taken up are;

(c) what the amount spent for machinery
and equipments is; *and*

(d) whether there is any proposal to hand
over the College to a private agency and if so,
on what terms?

(e) whether the Government are aware that
there is a strong feeling among the people
against any such transfer; and

(f) whether any such transfer will not
lead to innumerable difficulties in ~~objects~~
carrying out the objects with which the College
was started?

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Memo. No. 89174-1/49 A^{Edn.} dated 17-11-49.

Sub: Colleges - A. H. College of Technology, Coimbatore
Expre. incurred on buildings etc. - Particulars.

Prof.

A copy of the Leg. Assembly
unstarred An. No. 341 on the subject
noted above is forwarded to the D.P.D.
and he is requested to furnish
the particulars asked for at an
early date.

To Mr. D. P. G. ✓
(with copy of p.c.f.)

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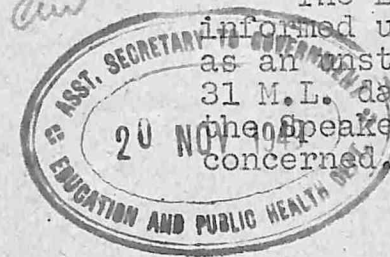
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Secretariat of the Madras
Legislature.

U.O. NOTE NO. 8726/49-1 M.L. Dated 19th November 1949.

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The Education and Public Health department may be informed u.o. that L.A.Q.No.341(copy enclosed) sent to them as an unstarred question in this office U.O.Note No.8605/59-31 M.L. dated 14-11-49, has since been altered by the Hon. the Speaker as a starred question at the request of the member concerned.

T. HANUMANTHAPPA,
Assistant Secretary,
Madras Legislature.

To Education and Public Health Department with a copy of
L.A.Q.No.341.
Copy to Public (Elections) Department.
Copy to the Secretary to H.E. the Governor.

Forwarded/By Order

E.P.H.(A)

A. J. Sabarwal

PSK/19-11. The D.P.G.'s reply to the Superintendent.
memo on p3 ante maybe awaited to 24.12.49.

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EDUCATION DEPARTMENT Department

From (Name)

Designation The Director of Public
Instruction,
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To

The Secretary to Government,
Education and Public Health
Department,
M a d r a s.

Enclosures:

Rc.No. 1649 K2/49 dated 9-12-1949. 194

Sir,

Sub: Arthur Hope College of Technology - Coimbatore - Legis-
lative Assembly - Question 341 - Unstarred - Regarding
Expenditure.

Ref: Govt. Memo.No.89174-1/49 A. Edn., dated 17-11-1949.

I have the honour to enclose herewith a copy of letter Rc.No.209
A/49 dated 6-12-49 from the Principal, Arthur Hope College of Technology,
Coimbatore containing the particulars called for by Government. As regards
clause (d) of the Legislative Assembly Question I invite attention to
this office letter Rc.No.1630 K2/49 dated 16-11-1949 submitting remarks
about the proposal for the starting of an aided Engineering College at
Coimbatore.

Yours faithfully,

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For Director of Public Instruction.

Ms. 10.12.

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Copy of the letter Rc.No.209-A/49 dated 6-12-1949 dated of the Principal,
Arthur Hope College of Technology, Coimbatore to the Director of
Public Instruction, Madras. (9)

Sub: Arthur Hope College of Technology, Coimbatore - Legislative
Assembly - Question No.341 unstarred regarding expenditure.
Ref: Your Proceedings Rc.No.1649.K2/49 dated 23-11-1949.

The information required is furnished below:-

(a) How much money has been spent on the Engineering
Colleges at Coimbatore upto date:- (i) for capital and
(ii) for Maintenance:-

(i) Capital and Non-recurring expenditure on machinery and equipment already expended. Rs.12,65,411

Buildings (Sanctioned and under construction on permanent buildings for Laboratory at the Agricultural College Estate and repairs to British Evacuee camp for use as hostel). 5,00,000

Also a sum of Rs.4,96,000 has already been sanctioned for acquiring additional land for the College.

(ii) For Maintenance (Recurring charges and staff, stores, services etc. (including rent at Rs.45,000 per annum to Argus Engineering College from 1-8-1948). 5,25,942

(b) What the buildings already constructed or under construction and what the buildings still to be taken up are:-

First part.

Buildings already constructed or under construction:-
Prefabricated steel frame buildings are under construction to house the permanent laboratories and Workshops. British Evacuee camp A and B buildings are being remodelled for use as Students' Hostel and quarters for some of the staff. This arrangement is to continue till permanent Hostel and quarters are built up.

Second Part.

Buildings still to be taken up are:-
Main building for the College.
Class rooms.
Office rooms.
Library.
Lecture Halls.
Physics and Chemistry laboratories.

Additional accommodation for laboratories and Gas Plant House and Auxiliary sheds.
Quarters for Principal and Professors.
Permanent Hostel Block.
Quarters for College staff.
Hospital block.

These are now temporarily provided in the British Evacuee camp buildings A and B.

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(c) What the amount spent for machinery and equipment is
Please see item (a) (i) above viz., Rs.12,65,411/-

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For Director of Public Instruction.

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Same as 835-3784-8.7. 11 (7)
Copy of letter No.Roc.1630-K2/49, dated 16-11-49
from the Director of Public Instruction, Madras to the
Secretary to the Government of Madras, Education and
Public Health Department.

Sub:- Starting of an aided Engineering
College at Coimbatore.

I have the honour to invite attention to the
letter dated 17-11-1949 of the Managing Trustee, P.S.G.
and Sons Charities, Peelamedu, Coimbatore, a copy of
which has been submitted to Government on the question
of starting an Engineering College in the district.

2. In the course of a personal discussion
with Sri G.R.Damodaran, Director, P.S.G.Industrial
Institute, I was given to understand that the management
of the Institute has already forwarded an affiliation
application to the University for the proposed college.
I was also told that the management have purchased 100
acres of land for the construction of buildings for the
college and that they were in a position to construct
buildings more economically than Government and that
much of the equipment needed for the college was already
available with them. The total expenditure on buildings
and equipment is estimated at Rs.20 lakhs out of which the
expect a grant of 10 lakhs. The management it seems would
be satisfied if the Government grant of Rs.10 lakhs
is spread over a period of five years. As it was obvious
ly uneconomical to run two Engineering Colleges in the
same centre, the question has now to be decided whether
the Government Engineering College could be wound up
and the management of the P.S.G.Charities allowed to
start an aided college.

3. Government are aware of the serious
difficulties and inconveniences that the Arthur Hope
College of Technology, Coimbatore is experiencing in the
matter of accommodation. Though the College was started
in 1945, it has not been possible to construct permanent
buildings and it is now proposed to shift the college
to temporary structures to be erected in the site allot-
ted in the Forest College estate. If the bonafides of the
P.S.G. Institute and their ability to run an Engineering
College are considered satisfactory, I would recommend
that the Government may seriously think of handing over
the Arthur Hope College of Technology, Coimbatore to this
management subject to certain conditions which may be stu-
pulated later on. So far, Government have incurred and
expenditure of Rs.11.35 lakhs on the purchase of equip-
ment for the Arthur Hope College. The Principal has
now reported that equipment worth Rs.5 lakhs is expected
to be delivered during the current year and that
equipment for another Rs. 6 lakhs is expected to be ordered
in the current year. The total cost of equipment that
would therefore be available by the end of the year
or the beginning of next year will be about Rs.22.35
lakhs. In regard to buildings, rent is now being paid
to the Argus Engineering Company at the rate of Rs.45,000
a year. The College is however expected to move to
temporary buildings in the site allotted to it in the
Forest College Estate with effect from the beginning
of the next academic year and the cost of erection is
estimated at Rs.6.8 lakhs. Government have since sanctioned
the acquisition of about 50 acres of land at a cost of
about Rs.5 lakhs. The expenditure on the construction of
permanent buildings for the college, hostel and quatters
for the staff is estimated at Rs.43.4 lakhs. I may point
out for the consideration of Government that in case the
Government College is to be wound up the huge capital
expenditure to the tune of about Rs.50 lakhs could be

saved. Even if a grant of Rs.10 lakhs is promised to the management it would be a clear saving to Government. There is however one difficulty in regard to the winding up of the College and transfer it to an aided management. This is one of the colleges opened under the Post-War Development Scheme and the Government of India are paying a grant equal to about half the expenditure incurred by the Government. It is therefore essential to obtain the consent of the Government of India for the transfer. I feel that the Government of India may agree since it is obvious that their own commitment would be partly reduced.

4. In the circumstances I request Government may consider the whole position and issue early orders. It is necessary that Government should come to an early decision as the management of the P.S.G. Institute will probably drop the whole idea if Government do not promise a half grant. If however Government decide to continue the Arthur Hope College of Technology, the question of grant need not be considered as there is no need for another Engineering College in the same place.

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UNSTARRED.

SRI V. G. PALANISWAMI GOUNDER, M.L.A.,
EDUCATION AND PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT.

Q.No.341.

draft Answer

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Answers have been received which are being considered

Tb/8.11.

22.12.49

To the M.L. Sect. (5 copies)
"Pub. (Elec.) Dept.

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- E. P. H. U. O. 89174-2/49A

dated 30.12.49.

Answered on 11-1-50

SECRETARIAT OF THE MADRAS LEGISLATURE,

Fort St. George, dated the 14. 11. 1949.

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QUESTION No. 341

for the meeting of the Legislative Assembly to

be held on the

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

The question has been admitted.

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To

The E & P. H. Department.

V.O. 8605/49-317.L

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E. P. H. (A)

The Leg. Assembly Qn. No. 341 unstarred may be perused. The E. P. H. may be asked to furnish the particulars asked for. A draft memo is submitted for approval. The file may be circulated to H.M. (P.W.) after issue of draft.

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[Signed as E. P. H. Memo. No. 89174-1/49AZL dated 17-11-49]



From the D.P.I. No. 1649 K2/49 & 9.12.49

The question has since been starred.
A draft answer is submitted below for approval.

Clause (d) of the Qn: In connection with the proposal of the P.S. & Sons' Charities, Coimbatore, to start an Engg. college at Coimbatore under their management and their offer to take over the existing A.H. College of Technology, Coimbatore, subject to certain conditions, the D.P.I. suggested that the Govt. might well make over their college to the charities which will save the Govt. lot of expre. every year. But the view was taken by this Dept. that it was undesirable to hand over the A.H. college of Technology, Coimbatore with its huge equipment costing several lakhs, especially when temporary buildings are ~~not~~ ^{being} ^{adequately} ^{put} ^{up} for the college. It is proposed to take order in circulation whether the Management of the P.S. & Sons' Charities be informed that the Govt. do not accept its offer to take over the Govt. Engg. College at Coimbatore.

The answer to clause (d) of the Qn. on p.c.f. may therefore be "No."
A draft answer is subd. for approval.
The file maybe circulated to A.H. (P.W.).

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H.N. (P.W.)
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Extract from the Leg. Assembly Proceedings on 11-1-50.

Money spent on the Engineering College at Coimbatore.

*310 Q.—SRI M. A. EASWARAN (on behalf of Sri V. C. Palaniswami Gounder): Will the Hon. the Minister for Public Works be pleased to state—

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THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM:—“(a) (i) Rs. 17,65,411.

(ii) Rs. 5,25,942.

“(b) Buildings already constructed or under construction—Prefabricated steel frame buildings are under construction to house the permanent laboratories and workshops. British Evacuee camp A and B Hutments are being remodelled for use as Students' Hostel and quarters for some of the staff. This arrangement is to continue till permanent Hostel and quarters are built up.

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“(c) Rs. 12,65,411.

“(d) Officers have been received which are being considered.”

SRI S. NAGAPPA:—“May I know, Sir, what is the strength of candidates that the college could accommodate as also its hostel?”

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM:—“I should like to have notice, Sir.”

JANAB MOHAMED ABDUL SALAM:—“Arising out of the answer that the Government have received offers from private agencies, and that they are considering them, why should the Government be prepared to consider such offers from private agencies? Have they any idea to hand it over to private agencies?”

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM:—“The Government thought that in order to save the additional expenditure that will be required for the college, they could consider a proposition of that sort, Sir.”

Abstract
the Leg. Assembly on 11-1-50 extracted above.
No further action is necessary in this file.
The papers maybe recorded.
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