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Legislative Assembly Question by

T. Viswanathan M. L. A. University Annamalai
Founders Day Celebrations Papers.

SECRETARIAT OF THE MADRAS LEGISLATURE
(ASSEMBLY SECTION)

25-10-1949

STARRED.

SRI T. VISWANATHAN, M.L.A.

EDUCATION AND PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT.

* Q.NO.274.

Will the Hon. the Minister for
Education be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have
received any report on the disturbance
that took place ^{recently} in the Annamalai
~~University~~ meeting held to commemorate the founder's day in Annamalai
University area;

(b) if so, whether the Government
will place a copy of the report on the
table of the House, and if not, whether
they will call for a report;

(c) whether ^{it is a fact} the Government are
aware that similar disturbances have
occurred more than once recently; and

(d) what action the Government
propose to take to prevent such
disturbances in future?

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taken separately to answer the
Assembly Question. The file will
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for remarks in connection
with the answer to the Qn.

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By: B. T. Vaswanathan

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Draft answer.

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to commemorate the Founder's Day in
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(b) if so, whether the Government
will place a copy of the report on the
table of the House, and if not, whether
they will call for a report;

(b) The report is a confidential
document and it is not in the
public interest to place it
on the table of the House.

(c) whether it is a fact that similar
disturbances have occurred more than once
recently; and

(c) It is not clear what other
incidents are referred to.

(d) what action the Government propose
to take to prevent such disturbances in
future?

(d) It will be for the University
authorities to determine the
action necessary. Government
assistance to the extent
justified will be given.

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Will the Hon. the Minister for Education be pleased to state:

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- (b) if so, whether the Government will place a copy of the report on the table of the House, and if not, whether they will call for a report;
- (c) whether it is a fact that similar disturbances have occurred more than once recently; and
- (d) what action the Government propose to take to prevent such disturbances in future?

EDUCATION AND PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT.

A.N.S.W.E.R.

- (a) Yes.
- (b) The report is a confidential document and it is not in the public interest to place it on the table of the House.
- (c) It is not clear what other incidents are referred to.
- (d) It will be for the University authorities to determine the action necessary. Government assistance to the extent justified will be given.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS
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FOR SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT.

The Secretariat of the Madras Legislature (Assembly Section) - 5 copies.

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(The above answer has been approved by the Hon. Sri K. Madhava Rao, Minister for Education).

Question answered by H.N. S.R.

On 16.12.48

also
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SECRETARIAT OF THE MADRAS LEGISLATURE,

Fort St. George, dated the 28. 10. 1949.

QUESTION No. 274 ^{next} for the meeting of the Legislative Assembly to
Commencing ~~to be held~~ on the 7th November 1949.

824 231 Two copies of this question are forwarded to the E & P. H. Department.
The question has been admitted.

^{11/29/49}
To
The E & P. H. Department.

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E. & P. H. (G.2)

Please see the Assembly Question on p.1 c.f. A draft answer
is submitted. ~~Public (General) may see prior to circulation~~

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15/11/49

(Separate
file in
Public)

The reports which have so far
been received are from the Police
Dept. and have been treated
as "Confidential". It does not seem
to be necessary or proper to lay
the reports on the table of the
House as suggested in clause (b).
If a supplementary is asked, the
member may perhaps be

informed that a ~~Press Note~~
will be issued ~~by Secy~~
after the Govt. have fully
considered the matter.

perhaps
this may be issued by the
Vice-Chancellor.
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In the main file it is
proposed to summon the
Vice Chancellor for a Conference
and to offer him advice
on what he should do
for the improvement of the
situation.

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The draft answer
below is for approval -
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~~Blank (C) of the question.~~

Apparently the reference is to the
strike in the month of November 1948 by the
students of the Engineering and Technology
courses with a view to getting their grievances
connected with the administration of these departments
redressed. Suitable action was taken by the
University authorities and the strike was called off.
Apparently the ~~reference is to the strike~~ The details
of their demands are referred to at p. 3 of
govt 853 Edn. 25-3-49 and the V.C.'s report
at p. 35-49 of ~~ibid.~~ The particulars
be useful for answering supplementary
questions, if any.

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The notes at p. 1.2 ante and the draft
below may be perused and the file returned to
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E. & P.H. (G.2)

Please see the Public (General) note above. The Vice-
Chancellor of the University has issued a statement (which
appears in the dailies of the 16th November, 1949) announcing his
decision to re-open the College of Engineering and Technology
on the 7th December and readmit all students ^{except six} involved in the
disturbances who render apologies and whose parents give an
undertaking of future good conduct on behalf of their sons.
The matter is not to be pursued by Government in view of this
development. The answer to clause (d) may be as follows:--

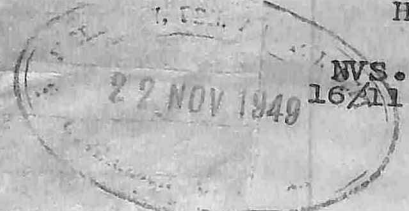
"It is difficult to state what measures will be
necessary to prevent similar occurrences in future. Any
similar situation will have to be met by the University
authorities when it develops, with reference to the ^{then} cir-
cumstances, which may be responsible for it at the time."

It is for orders whether the draft answer as thus

modified will be approved.

H.M. (Edn), H.M. (P.W.), H.Pr., and H.E. may see for orders.

May be affirmed
17-11-49



For (d) the reply may
be "It will be for the University
authorities to determine the
action necessary. Government
assistance to the extent justified
will be given."
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E. & P.H. (G.2)

Please see the orders in circulation on p.3 ante. The

draft answer below, ~~inc~~ with the revised answer to clause (d) incorporated therein.

~~Suggested approved in circulation~~ is submitted below for approval.

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The recent disturbance in the Annamalai University.

* 213 Q.—SRI T. S. PATTABHIRAMAN (on behalf of Sri T. Viswanatham): Will the Hon. the Minister for Education be pleased to state—

(a) whether the Government have received any report on the disturbance that took place recently in the meeting held to commemorate the Founder's Day in Annamalai University area;

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(c) whether it is a fact that similar disturbances have occurred more than once recently; and

(d) what action the Government propose to take to prevent such disturbances in future?

THE HON. SRI K. MADHAVA MENON:—“(a) Yes.

“(b) The report is a confidential document and it is not in the public interest to place it on the table of the House.

“(c) It is not clear what other incidents are referred to.

“(d) It will be for the University authorities to determine the action necessary. Government assistance to the extent justified will be given.”

MR. SPEAKER:—“Before supplementary questions are put, I should like to remind hon. Members that the University is an autonomous body and supplementary questions will be allowed only so far as the Government are concerned in the matter.”

SRI T. S. PATTABHIRAMAN:—“With regard to the Police action and the disturbances, may I know whether the students wanted only an opportunity on that occasion to put forth their grievances for redressal and that there was no regular disturbance?”

MR. SPEAKER:—“May I know how this question whether the students wanted to represent their case to the Vice-Chancellor or not arises out of this. How are the Government responsible for it?”

SRI T. S. PATTABHIRAMAN:—“My submission is that the students made certain submissions to the Vice-Chancellor and it was given the colour of a Communist outbreak and the Police interfered on behalf of the Government. My point is that the Police interference was not at all justified.”

MR. SPEAKER:—“The hon. Member may put it in the form of a question.”

SRI T. S. PATTABHIRAMAN:—“May I know whether the Vice-Chancellor's requisition of the Police was not a proper one and the stationing of the Police there even 15 days after the incidents of the Founder's Day was unjustified and unwarranted?”

THE HON. SRI K. MADHAVA MENON:—“It is certainly justified and warranted, Sir. If any disturbance of law and order takes place, whether it is in the University premises or anywhere else, the Police and the magistracy will go there to restore law and order and it will be restored, Sir.”

SRI T. S. PATTABHIRAMAN:—“Will the Hon. the Minister be pleased to note that the ‘disturbance’ was not at all a real disturbance, but the occasion was utilized by the Vice-Chancellor to put down the normal routine of the students?”

MR. SPEAKER:—“How can the Government be aware of it? How is the Minister to know whether the Vice-Chancellor wanted to put down the mischief of the students or not? It is an internal affair.”

SRI T. S. PATTABHIRAMAN:—“My submission is that the Police need not have gone there because there was no occasion for them to go there. The Police had gone there unnecessarily to harass the students on behalf of the Vice-Chancellor?”

THE HON. SRI K. MADHAVA MENON:—“The Police had never gone there to help in the normal activity of the University. They had gone there only to see that there is no breach of the peace or disturbance of the normal working of the University.”

SRI KALLUR SUBBA RAO:—“May I know from the Hon. Minister whether it is a fact that the Indian National Flag was removed by the Vice-Chancellor and the Dravida Kazhagam flag was hoisted in its place?”

THE HON. SRI K. MADHAVA MENON:—“My information is it is absolutely wrong, Sir. The Vice-Chancellor will never remove the Indian National Flag from the University if there was one there.”

SRI T. S. PATTABHIRAMAN:—“May I know whether the Police were stationed in the University premises for more than a month afterwards and even casual visitors including the members of the Senate were searched before they were allowed to go in?”

THE HON. SRI K. MADHAVA MENON:—“There was an order under section 144 in force in that area which includes the University area also. It was the duty of the Police to see that the order was being obeyed there.”

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of the Legislative Assembly on pp 4-5 ante
the papers may now be

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Abstract:—

Legislative Assembly
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