

EDUCATION.

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Dated

14th December 1950.

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[Despatch Abstract.]

COLLEGE - Presidency - Madras - reintroduction of Philosophy in the B.A. pass and the Honours courses - Deferred.

Back Papers.

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EDUCATION DEPARTMENT.

FROM

THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION, MADRAS.

The Secretary to Government, Education Department.

Rc.No.222 K2/50 dt. 25/9/50.

Sir,

Sub:-Presidency College, Madras-Re-introduction of Philosophy in the B.A. pass and Honours courses.

Ref:-Government Memo.No. 12609-3/50G dt. 8/6/50.

I have the honour to submit herewith proposals for the re-introduction of Philosophy in the B.A. pass and Honours Courses in the Presidency College, Madras, for consideration in Connection with the Part II of the Budget Estimate for 1951-52.

2. As pointed out in my letter Rc.No.222 K2/50 dt. 10/4/50 the introduction of this course is a question of finance and that additional accommodation has to be provided before the introduction of the course is thought of. I may also state that no provision has been made for this subject in the revised proposals submitted as a result of the joint inspection of the college by me and the Chief Engineer (Buildings). The Principal has proposed a minimum of 4 rooms.

3. It is expected that 24 students for the pass course and 10 for the Honour course may be expected to join. The additional staff would be one Madras Educational Service Professor and an Assistant Professor in the first year 2 Assistant Professors one each in the succeeding years. The financial implication are worked out below:-

Fee Income.

Rs.

B.A. 1st year.

4896

B.A. 2nd "

9792

Honours Course 1st Year.

2400

2nd Year.

4800

3rd year.

7200

BA - Rs 9,792 = 48 stud.
Hons Rs 7,200 = 30 stud.

Expenditure - Non-recurring 1951-52.

Furniture

...

2000

Library

...

3000

5000

Recurring. 1951-52

1. Professor 230 X 8 1840 1840

Dearness Allowance.

46 X 8

368

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1 Assistant Professor 150 X 8 1200

Dear ness Allowance 34 X 8

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House Rent Allowance 15 X 8

120

3800

1952-53.

1 Assistant Professor 150 X 8 - 1200

Dearness Allowance. 34 X 8 - 272

House Rent Allowance. 15 X 8 - 120

1592/- or 1600/-

Separate Part II Scheme file



1953-54.
1 Assistant Professor 150 X 8 - 1200
Dearness Allowance and House Rent Allowance. -2- 0 - 392

Ultimate cost. 1592 or 1600
1 Professor 449 1/3 X 12 - 5392
Dearness Allowance. 0 70 X 12 - 840

3 Assistant Professors 3 X 210 5/9 X 12 - 7580

Dearness Allowance 3 X 43 X 12 - 1548

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Library ... 500

Journals 300

16160 or 16200

I am including the necessary provision in part II of my estimates for 1951-52.

Yours faithfully,

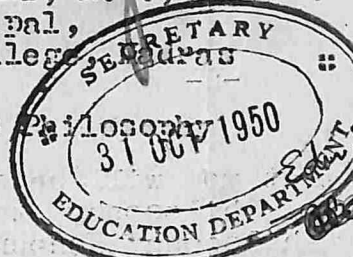
M. V. K. Srinivasan

For Director of Public Instruction.

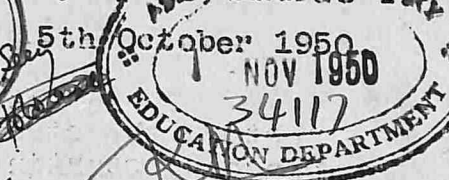
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V.K.25/9/50.

P.N. SRINIVASACHARI, M.A.,
Retired Principal,
Pachaiyappa's College,
Madras

and
President, Madras Philosophy
Association



'Sri Krishna Library'
Chitrakulam, S. 100,
Mylapore, Madras-11



My dear Sir,

I beg to be excused for taking the liberty to
address you in the following matter.

Some months back a deputation of The Madras
Philosophy Association waited on you and requested you
to revive the Philosophy courses in the Presidency College,
Madras, and in the mofussil Government Colleges in all of
which they were abolished 20 years ago. You were pleased
to receive a Memorandum that we submitted to you on this
matter and you very kindly promised to consider our request
when the budget proposals for 1951-52 came up. I believe
this is the time when Government will be deciding the
Part II Schemes for the next financial year.

In this connection, I wish to bring to your kind
notice that the Academic Council of the Madras University
has approved of the proposals of the Board of Studies in
Philosophy to revise the B.A. Pass Philosophy course
under Group III-B so as to include General Metaphysics,
Outlines of Indian Philosophy, Psychology, Ethics as
compulsory subjects and Political Philosophy, Sociology,
Philosophy of Religions and Epistemology as optional
subjects. It is felt by teachers of Philosophy that this
course will be more popular than Group III A and will
give a very necessary background of liberal culture for
teachers of Social Studies in the reorganised scheme of
studies for our Secondary Schools.

As the deputation submitted to you in its
Memorandum it is a deplorable anomaly that there is no
facility at present in Government Colleges for the study
of General Metaphysics and Indian Philosophy.

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I request that you will be so good as to restore the study of Philosophy to its rightful place by starting Philosophy Honours Branch II-A and Philosophy Pass course in the Presidency College, Madras, and the Pass course in the Government Arts College, Madras, and also restoring it in the Government Colleges in Kumbakonam, Palghat, and Rajahmundry with effect from the academic year 1951-1952, and I think this is the time to apply to the University for affiliation.

With best regards and apologies for intruding in your busy time,

Yours sincerely,
B. N. Srinivasachari

To
The Hon'ble Sri K. Madhava Menon, B.A., B.L.,
Minister for Education, Government of Madras,
Madras.

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The proposal is being considered in connection with Part II Scheme. The main file has been sent to Finance.

This may be added to it when it is received back.

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College - Presidency - Madras
re-introduction of Philosophy in the BA.
pass and Honours courses - deferred.

Ref From the D.P.I. no. 222 K2/50. dated 25.9.50

From Sri P.N. Srinivasachari, Madras.
dated 5.10.50

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C.No 3312
Edn dated 14-12-50.

The Govt. have decided that the proposal for the introduction of Philosophy in the BA. pass and Honours courses in the Presidency College, Madras should be deferred.

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To The D.P.I.

copy to Sri P.N.

Srinivasachari, M.A.

Retired Principal,

Pachaiyappa College,

Sri Krishna Library, Chittrakulam Square,
Mylapore, Madras.

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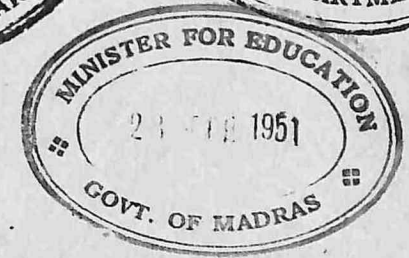
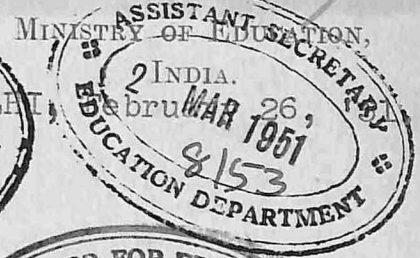
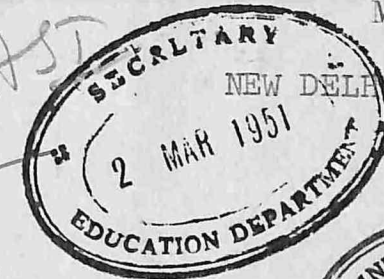


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My dear Mr. Menon,



I am forwarding for your information a copy of a Resolution passed by the Executive Committee of the Madras Philosophy Association.

I need hardly stress the importance of the study of Philosophy as you are yourself aware of its value as an intellectual discipline, and the place it occupies in the University courses in Europe and America.

(With best regards)

Yours sincerely,

(Humayun Kabir)
(HUMAYUN KABIR)

Hon'ble Shri K. MADHAVA MENON,
Minister for Education,
Government of Madras,

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MADRAS, PHILOSOPHY ASSOCIATION.

Proceedings of the Executive Committee at its meeting
held on 14.2.1951.

"This Meeting of the Madras Philosophy Association expresses its appreciation of the move on the part of the Government of India to sponsor the publication of A HISTORY OF PHILOSOPHY: EASTERN AND WESTERN, and requests the Government to re-introduce papers in Philosophy for the Competitive Examinations on a par with other subjects, and to encourage the study of Philosophy at the Universities and colleges in every way possible.

"This meeting also appeals to the Government of Madras State to revive Philosophy as a subject for study in the Pass and Honours classes at the colleges run by them, and to provide every facility for making the subject popular in South India which has been the home of the great philosophical schools".

14.2.1951

P. S. Jeyaraj
President,
Madras Philosophy Association

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To

The Personal Assistant to the Hon'ble Minister
for Education.

Govt. of Madras.

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Sir,



We are sending herewith a copy of
resolutions passed by the Executive Committee of
the above Association at a meeting held on 14. 2. 1951.

The resolutions may kindly be brought
to the notice of the Hon'ble Minister for Education.

Thanking you,

Yours faithfully,

Saraswati Chandra Desai

C. A. Desai

Secretaries.

74, Sheroor Nagar,
Kilpauk, Madras.
21. 2. 1951

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S. V. Srinivasachari
14.2.1951.
President, Madras Philosophy
Association

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To
Mr. D.P.I.

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Colleges. Philosophy Course. Opening of

Read again : C.O. No. 3312 holding the 12.10

Memo to 8153 $\frac{G}{51-1}$ Edn 8 19.3.51

The D.P.I. is informed that the proposal deferred in the C.O. read above may be renewed in connection with the Part II Scheme for 1952-53.

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Part II Scheme for 1951-52

Colleges - Presidency College, Madras.
Re-introduction of Philosophy in
B.A pass and Honours Course.

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from the D.P.I. no. 222 K2/50 of 25.9.50

Till about 1932, the following
Grant Colleges offered instruction in
Philosophy.

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G.O. put up below

(i) Presidency College, Madras in B.A.
pass and Honours Course.

(ii) Grant College, Kumbakonam - B.A. pass Course.

(iii) Victoria College, Palghat - do

(iv) Grant Arts College, Rajahmundry - do.

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The Retrenchment Committee of 1931-32
recommended the abolition of the Philosophy
Depts in these Colleges and it was
accepted by the Govt. In Feb 1950 a

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Memorandum was submitted to H.M. (K.L.)
by Prof. P.V. Srinivasachariar and five
others for the revival of the Philosophy
Depts in these Colleges. The D.P.I. who was
consulted stated that the re-introduction

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of Philosophy was a question of finance
and that it might be necessary to put up
additional accommodation as there was no
accommodation in any College for addl
Course to be provided. H.M. (K.L.) had

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minuted on the Memorandum that he
would like to have Philosophy re-introduced
in the Presidency College. The D.P.I. was therefore

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asked to submit proposals for the re-introduction
of Philosophy in the B.A. pass and Hons
Course in the Presidency College in connection
with the Part II Schemes for 1951-52, which

he has accordingly submitted now.

2 The D.P.I. has reiterated his statement that the introduction of the Course is a question of finance and that addl accommodation has to be provided before the introduction of the Course is thought of. Apart from the question of accommodation, the proposal involved an ultimate cost of about Rs 16,000 per annum. as it necessitates the appointment of 1 Professor and 3 Asst professors. A fee income of about Rs 9,792 in the 2 B.A. classes for 48 students and Rs 7,200 in the 3 Hons classes for 30 students may be expected.

3 The question of accommodation in the Presidency College, Madras is becoming more and more difficult. The transfer of the Intermediate classes to the Govt Arts College Madras in 1947-'s has not improved the position as the College still continues to have almost the same strength due to the opening of post-graduate courses in various subjects. The College has now 15 Depts. Recently the Principal and the D.P.I. emphasised the immediate need for addl accommodation for properly accommodating the various existing Depts. The Govt directed the D.P.I. and the Addl C.E. to have a joint inspection of the accommodation available in the College and to submit proposals for the minimum addl accommodation urgently needed. In that connection the Addl C.E. has stated that the building is already overcrowded, that many of the large rooms have been partitioned into smaller ones and put to maximum use and that it will not be possible to secure any addl rooms by dividing up the existing rooms any more. He suggested that the proposal to put up two new wings to the Natural Science Block

should be proceeded with at a cost of Rs 2,10,000. It has been decided to consider the proposal as a Part B Scheme. The D.P.I. has also submitted proposals for putting up addl buildings for Chemistry and Geology laboratories. That is also under consideration.

4 While the position of accommodation for even the Depts which are already functioning remains unsatisfactory, it seems inappropriate to consider opening additional dept. A minimum of 4 rooms is said to be necessary if the Philosophy Course is to be re-introduced in the Presidency College. The D.P.I. has not stated how he proposes to find this accommodation. From what he has already stated, it can be said that necessary accommodation can be found only by constructing new buildings. He has not submitted an estimate of the cost of buildings.

In the circumstances it seems that the proposal will have to be deferred. The remarks of Finance may be invited before circulation.

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Finance (Est 8pl)

Notes from p 1 above may be read. Finance may agree with Education that the proposal to re-introduce Philosophy in the B.A. pass and Honours courses in the Presidency College, Madras may be deferred.

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The notes from p 1 anti may be pursued. I am agree with this Dept that the proposal to re-introduce Philosophy in the B.A Pass and Honours Courses in the Presidency College, Madras, may be deferred. May be circulated to H.M. (L.A.) for order whether the proposal may be deferred. A letter since recd from Sri P. N. Srinivasachari, requesting the restoration of the subject in the Grant Colleges, has been added to the C.F. at pp 5-6.

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A draft order is submitted. May be circulated to H.M. (L.A.) for approval.

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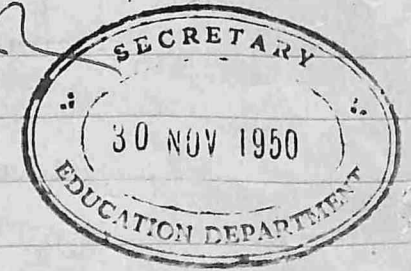
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H.M. (L.A.)

Samuel 27/11 H.M. (L.A.)
for deferring it. A College like the Presidency College must have Philosophy

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May be circulated to H.M. (L.A.).
The D.P.I. has expressed difficulty to find accommodation for starting the course. If the proposal is approved, the Dir may be asked to find accommodation in the College or if that is impossible, he may be asked to address the University for temporary accommodation.

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Our idea is to convert Presidency into a science college mainly. There is no point in running Philosophy there, with possibly no students.

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H.M. (L.A.)
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Order in Circulation on p 4 anti
The draft order below may now be

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Colleges - Introduction of Philosophy Course.

From Prof. Humayun Kabir. 9.26.2.51.

p1-3 cf

Please see the letter from Prof. Humayun Kabir forwarding a copy of the constitution proceedings of the Executive Committee of the Madras Philosophy Association at its meeting held on 14.2.51. The Secretaries of the Association have already submitted a copy of the proceedings separately.

p5-7 cf

The question of re-introducing Philosophy Course in the Presidency College, Madras was considered in connection with the Part II Schemes for 1951-52 but the Govt did not agree to it. Under the order in circulation on p 4 to f. of A. no action seems to be called for on the letter in the c.f. These papers may be filed with A after perusal by H.K. (K.H.).

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103. H.M. (K.H.) (May send us return)

Will Consider it as part II subject

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The BPI may be informed that proposals may be renewed in connection with the Part II Schemes for 1952-53. Draft sent for approval.

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