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[Despatch Abstract.]

Legislative Assembly Question by Sri V. Raghaviah, M.L.A. - University
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SECRETARIAT OF THE MADRAS LEGISLATURE (ASSEMBLY SECTION)

7-11-1949

SHORT NOTICE STARRED.

SRI V. RAGHAVIAH, M.L.A.

EDUCATION AND PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT.

* Q.NO.332.

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

(a) whether it is a fact that the Annamalai University has been closed temporarily;

(b) whether any students were dismissed or prosecuted or arrested in the course of last month of this month; and

(c) if so, for what reasons?

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SECRETARIAT OF THE MADRAS LEGISLATURE

(ASSEMBLY SECTION)

7-11-1949

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EDUCATION AND PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT.

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Extract of the minute of H.M.(Edn.& Law) on the Short Notice
Question No.332 by Sri V.Raghaviah,M.L.A.re.the Annamalai University
recent incidents:--

"I cannot waive notice please"

Sd.M.M(adhava Menon).
8.11.49.

SECRETARIAT OF THE MADRAS LEGISLATURE

D.O. No. 8464/49-511.L

Fort St. George,

Dated..9:..11:..1949

Dear Sir/Madam,

I am directed to inform you that the Hon. the Minister for Education has not consented to the waiver of the usual period of notice in respect of your short notice question No. 332. (copy/copies enclosed). It is/They are therefore being treated as ordinary starred question(s) and will be answered in the usual course.

Yours faithfully,

Stanum antha
Assistant Secretary,
Madras Legislature.

To

The Education & Public Health Department

(with copy/copies of question(s) No. 332)

in continuation of this office U.O. No. 8464/49-1111
dated 8.11.49.

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This may be added to the LA question file
sub separately. [An extract of sub's minute
not agreeing to the waiver of the usual notice
was already taken & added to that file].

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Confidential.

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

Lr. Ref. No. 8694684-1 Edn., dated 12/11/49

To

The Registrar, Annamalai University, Annamalai Nagar.
(with enclosure - copy of p.1 c.f.)

Sir,

Sub:- Legislative Assembly Question - re. Annamalai
University - Recent disturbances.

I am to enclose a copy of a legislative question
proposed to be asked at the meeting of the Leg. Assembly
on the above subject and to request you to furnish the
information necessary for answering the ~~three~~ question.

I am to request that this ^{request} may be treated as very urgent,
and ~~reply~~ ^{sent} at a very early date.

Mours rfly,

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ANNAMALAI UNIVERSITY

No. S-50-C1/49

14th Novr. 1949

From

THE REGISTRAR,
ANNAMALAI UNIVERSITY,
ANNAMALAINAGAR.

To

The Secretary to Government,
Education and Public Health Department,
Fort St. George, Madras.

Sir,

Sub: LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY QUESTION - regarding Annamalai University - Recent disturbances.

Ref: Your letter Ref.No.86946 G2/49-1, Edn. dated 11-11-49.

The information necessary for answering the question proposed to be asked at the meeting of the Legislative Assembly is furnished herewith.

Yours faithfully,

S. Sathuridaman
Registrar.

Q. 332.

a. Whether it is a fact that the Annamalai University has been closed temporarily;

Answer: No. Only the Engineering and Technology sections remain closed for eight weeks from 24-10-49. The Arts, Science, Music, and Oriental Sections are working.

b. Whether any students were dismissed or prosecuted or arrested in the course of the last month or this month;

Answer: Yes;

c. If so, for what reasons?

Answer: Disciplinary action has been taken on those who have taken an active and prominent part in the disturbances on the 24th and 25th September 1949. A few have been arrested by the police for violation of the Magistrate's order under Section 144 of the Cr.P.C.

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S. Sathuridaman
Registrar.

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To
The Registrar, Annamalai
University,
Annamalainagar

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Re,
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University - Recent
disturbances

Ref: - your letter No. S. 50 - c
dt - 14/11/48

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With reference to clauses b
(c) of the Legislative Assembly
I am to request you to furnish
details ~~status~~ of the ^{number and} names ~~and~~ of
of ^{the} students who were dism.
or ~~prosec~~



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ANNAMALAI UNIVERSITY



23rd November, 1949.

No. S.50-C1/49-2

From

THE REGISTRAR,
ANNAMALAI UNIVERSITY,
ANNAMALAINAGAR.

To

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

Sub: Legislative Assembly Questions regarding Annamalai University - Recent disturbances.

Ref: Your letter No.86946-G2/49-2 dated 22nd November '49.

I furnish below the names of the students who were dismissed:

1. List of students who were dismissed

1. Venkatakrishnamachari M	Engineering IV Year
2. Bhanumorthy J	Technology IV Year
3. Madhava Rao T.	Engineering IV "
4. Pankajakshan Nair S.	Technology IV "
5. Radhakrishnan Y.V.	Engineering II "
6. Balasubramanian T.S.	Technology II "
7. Ramadoss K.	V Hons. Economics.
8. Narayanaswami R.	Engineering IV Year
9. Raghuraman K.	do
10. Eipo Koshy V.	do II "
11. Anjanayulu S.S.R.	do IV "
12. Veerabhadra Rao P.	do
13. Krishna Rao B.	Technology IV Year
14. Rajagopalan R.	B.A. IV Class.
15. Sootharaman K.	do
16. Thomas G.	Engineering IV Year
17. Chalapati Rao G.	do

2. List of students who were prosecuted or arrested.

1. Venkatakrishnamachari M	Engineering IV Year
2. Madhava Rao T.	do
3. Muthuraghavan N.	III Class,
4. Subalakrishnan	I Class,
	do

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in these cases are not

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connected with
or prosecuted or arrested in the course
of the recent disturbances, if possible
together with the information regarding
the nature of the punishment awarded
to each case. Result of the proceedings in
yours ffly,

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of completeness or in-
of 18 other cases which do not come under the above

(a) List of students suspended for two years:-

1. Vasudeva Panickkar T.V.	B.A. IV Year
2. Madhava Menon T.	V Hons. Economics
3. Aravindakshanan N.	Engineering II Year
4. Daniel Doraiswami J.V.	" III "
5. Anantakrishnan T.N.	do II "
6. Sankaran A.	do
7. Natana Prasad S.	IV Hons. Economics
8. Chellappan S.	III class.
9. Sudhkar Rai B.	Engineering II Year
10. Sunder Shetty S.	do

(b) List of students for whom issue of certificates has been ordered:

1. Nilakantan K.	II class
2. Joseph A. Lucas	I class
3. Dasari Venkataramiah	Engineering I Year
4. Jambulingam T.M.	Engineering IV Year
5. Muthuraghavan N.	III Class
6. Ramaswami G.	V Hons. Mathematics.
* 7. Miss R. Namagiri	III Hons.
8. Venugopal K.	I Class.

*This student was arrested at Tiruchirapalli by the police there for reasons not known to be connected with University.

The disciplinary action taken depends on the degree of participation and the part played by the respective students in the disturbances in the University.

Yours faithfully,

S. Sathendraman
Registrar.

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SECRETARIAT OF THE LEGISLATURE.
(ASSEMBLY SECTION)
7-11-1949.

Education & P.H. Deptt.

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SRI V. RAGHAVIAH, M.L.A.

EDUCATION AND PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT.

*Q.No.332.

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

Draft reply.

(a) whether it is a fact that the Annamalai University has been closed temporarily;

(a) The Annamalai University was not closed, at any time. Only the re-opening of the Engineering and Technology sections of the University has been postponed ^{was} ~~for good reasons~~ ^{until a calmer atmosphere was created} after the Dasara holidays. This section ^{was} (will be) re-opened on the 7th December, 1949.

(b) whether any students were dismissed or prosecuted or arrested in the course of last month or this month; and

~~(b) Yes~~ (b) and (c) Yes, disciplinary ^{by the University authorities} action has been taken on those students who have taken an active ~~prominent~~ part in the disturbances on the 24th and 25th ~~Mar~~ September ~~1949~~ 1949. A few have been arrested by police for violation of the Magistrate's order under section 144 of the Criminal Procedure Code.

(c) if so, for what reasons?

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To

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The Secretariat of the Legislature (Assembly section)
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Ans. answered by H. E. S. on 19-12-49
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VERY URGENT.

SECRETARIAT OF THE MADRAS LEGISLATURE,
Fort St. George, dated the 8. 11. 1949.

QUESTION No. **332**

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 **Education and Public Health** Department.

The question has been admitted.

2. **M. Sri V. Raghaviah, M.L.A.** 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 8. 11. 1949, together with a copy of the question proposed to be asked is annexed.

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

To **Health**
The **Education & Public Health** Department
The Hon. the Minister for

V.O. 8464/49-1 M.L.

8. 11. 49.

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

Please see the Legislative Assembly Question on p. 1 c.f. The M.L.A. has requested that the usual period of notice for answering the question may be waived, but H.M. (Edn. & Law) is not prepared to waive the usual notice. This may be answered as an ordinary question. The information required for answering this question may be



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obtained from the University. The draft letter be the Registrar of Ann the Annamalai University submitted below is for approval.

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(Issued as Lr.Ref.No.86946-G2/49-1 Edn., dated 11.11-1949) P 908 P 1108
C.No.89202/49. From the Registrar, Annamalai University, No.S.50-C1/49 d./-14.11.49
(Issued as Lr.Ref.No.86946-G2/49-2 Edn, dated 22.11.49) - P 13-1408
C.No.92140/49. From the Registrar, Annamalai University, P 15-1608
No.S.50-C1/49-2 dated 23.11.49.

Please see the Registrar's letter on p.11 c.f. A

draft answer to the Legislative Assembly Question is submitted for approval. The information furnished by the Registrar in his subsequent letter on p.p.15-17 may be useful for answering supplementaries, if any. The file may now be circulated to H.M.(E.&L) and H.H.(P.W.) for approval of the draft answer.

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The Annamalai University.

* 232 Q.—SRI T. VISWANATHAM (on behalf of Sri V. Raghavayya): Will the Hon. the Minister for Education be pleased to state—

- whether it is a fact that the Annamalai University has been closed temporarily;
- whether any students were dismissed or prosecuted or arrested in the course of last month or this month; and
- if so, for what reasons?

THE HON. SRI K. MADHAVA MENON:—“(a) The Annamalai University was not closed at any time. Only the re-opening of the Engineering and Technology sections of the University was postponed until a calmer atmosphere was created. This section will be re-opened on the 7th December 1949.

“(b) & (c) Yes, disciplinary action has been taken by the University authorities on those students who have taken an active part in the disturbances on the 24th and 25th September 1949. A few have been arrested by the police for violation of the Magistrate's order under section 144 of the Criminal Procedure Code.”

SRI B. S. MURTHI:—“May I know, Sir, whether the Hon. the Minister is aware that recently there was a hunger-strike by the students in the Women's hostel in the Annamalai University and if so, what action has been taken by him in the matter?”

THE HON. SRI K. MADHAVA MENON:—“That is a different matter. I have also read in the papers that there was a hunger-strike, but on enquiry I find that the information was exaggerated.”

SRI A. VEDARATNAM PILLAI:—“May I know the reasons, Sir, for the repeated troubles in the Annamalai University?”

THE HON. SRI K. MADHAVA MENON:—“I am not aware of any repeated trouble. I have read or heard of some troubles in the Annamalai University and these are common with most other universities also. If there is unrest among the students, it has to be met and stopped.”

MR. SPEAKER:—“I think the Hon. Minister has told the House once that the Universities are autonomous bodies and the Ministers are not expected to interfere with their inner working.”

SRI T. S. PATTABHIRAMAN:—“Is it not a fact, Sir, that more than 150 students have not yet been re-admitted to the College?”

THE HON. SRI K. MADHAVA MENON:—“Of those against whom disciplinary action was taken, almost all have been re-admitted and perhaps a few remain outside.”

SRI T. VISWANATHAM:—“May I know, Sir, whether the Government will intercede on behalf of the rest also and get them re-admitted?”

THE HON. SRI K. MADHAVA MENON:—“The Universities Act does not give the Government powers to intercede in matters like this, where disciplinary action has been taken. It is entirely a matter for the Vice-Chancellor to decide.”

SRI K. T. KOSALRAM:—“Is it not a fact, Sir, that the Vice-Chancellor has refused to take the advice of the Hon. the Minister for Education to take back all the students that were sent out?”

THE HON. SRI K. MADHAVA MENON:—“I have no business to advise the Vice-Chancellor either to admit or to reject. I have had discussions with many people including the Vice-Chancellor on this subject, and it is not an advice that I can give legally.”

SRI T. S. PATTABHIRAMAN:—“Sir, in view of the fact that the Annamalai University has been a bleeding sore in the field of education in the Province, will the Government, under the powers conferred by section 28 of the Universities Act, appoint an enquiry committee immediately and suggest suitable remedies?”

THE HON. SRI K. MADHAVA MENON:—“I do not concede that the Annamalai University has been a bleeding sore. It is a very good institution and has been doing good service.”

[19th December 1949]

Of course there have taken place certain incidents which are common in almost all other universities in the country to-day. The conditions obtaining now affect all universities alike. As regards the appointment of an enquiry committee, I do not think any matters have come to the notice of the Government justifying action under the Universities Act."

SRI T. VISWANATHAM:—"Is the Hon. the Minister aware that after these events had taken place, the Vice-Chancellor is very stiff as regards the lady students and is putting unnecessary restrictions upon them even in regard to their ordinary activities?"

MR. SPEAKER:—"Will the Hon. the Minister say whether the Government have powers to tell the Vice-Chancellor what he should do and what he should not?"

SRI T. VISWANATHAM:—"I am not suggesting that the Government have any or no powers to tell the Vice-Chancellor what he should do. I am simply asking whether the Hon. the Minister is aware of the fact?"

THE HON. SRI K. MADHAVA MENON:—"I do not exactly understand what is meant by 'stiff'. The Vice-Chancellor has a right to take action to maintain discipline."

SRI R. V. SWAMINATHAN:—"May I know whether the Hon. the Minister for Education, who is most interested in the welfare of the Province, will write to the Vice-Chancellor to take back all the students sent out?"

THE HON. SRI K. MADHAVA MENON:—"This is the very thing which I cannot do under the Act. I cannot ask the Vice-Chancellor to have a particular student or reject a particular student."

SRI B. S. MURTHI:—"Now that the Vice-Chancellor has been pleased to take back some 123 students, will the Hon. the Minister see that seven boys who have been left out are also shown grace and re-admitted?"

THE HON. SRI K. MADHAVA MENON:—"The best thing would be for the students to satisfy the Vice-Chancellor that their re-admission will not affect discipline in the institution."

SRI L. N. GOPALASWAMI:—"Is it a fact, Sir, that the recent report called for by the Government regarding the disturbances in Annamalai University disclosed the fact that the disturbances were due to the incompetency of the Vice-Chancellor to manage the students?"

THE HON. SRI K. MADHAVA MENON:—"The suggestion is absolutely false, Sir."

SRI R. V. SWAMINATHAN:—"May I know, Sir, whether the University is above the Government and the Government should shut their eyes to everything that was happening in the University?"

[19th December 1949]

THE HON. SRI K. MADHAVA MENON:—"It is not a question of above or below the Government. This legislature passed an Act for the University which gave certain powers to certain authorities regarding admission or rejection or taking action against the students. This is not a thing that the Government can take up."

SRI V. S. SANKARASUBRAMANYA MUDALIYAR:—"May I know, Sir, whether the Vice-Chancellor acted within his powers as given by the Annamalai University Act?"

THE HON. SRI K. MADHAVA MENON:—"If the Vice-Chancellor has not acted within his powers, the aggrieved party can take it to the court and see to it."

SRI T. S. PATTABHIRAMAN:—"Sir, in fact a number of students have been re-admitted to the college but they have not been re-admitted into the hostel. Will the Government, in the interest of education in this Province advise the Chancellor, H.E. the Governor of this Province, to do justice to the students?"

THE HON. SRI K. MADHAVA MENON:—"It is for the aggrieved party to move in the matter, as the Act provides for an appeal to the Chancellor."

SRI K. T. KOSALRAM:—"If the Government have no powers, will the Government prepare a legislation to take over some powers from the University?"

THE HON. SRI K. MADHAVA MENON:—"It is not advisable, Sir, in these educational institutions like the University to make frequent changes in the Act and take powers and reduce the autonomy that this legislature has already given to them."

SRI K. SUBBA RAO:—"Is the Hon. Minister aware, Sir, that the communal-mindedness of the Vice-Chancellor is more responsible for the disturbances than political reasons?"

THE HON. SRI K. MADHAVA MENON:—"Sir, I think it may as well be said the communal-minded students are responsible. I have not gone into the communal-mindedness of the Vice-Chancellor or the students."

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Please see the proceedings of the
Assembly on pp 3-5 above. The papers may
now be
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Enclosed
Please see the proceedings of the
committee on the 3-2-20. The
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attached to the 3-2-20
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