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(a) Yes;

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The Govt. are examining the
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[22nd November 1949]

Closure of the Engineering College in the Annamalai University.

* 152 Q.—JANAB MOHAMED ABDUL SALAM: Will the Hon. the Minister for Education be pleased to state—

(a) whether the Government have been informed about the closure of the Engineering College in the Annamalai University; and

(b) if the answer to (a) is in the affirmative, the reasons given by the Vice-Chancellor for the closure and the action the Government have taken in this matter?

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

“(b) It is understood that the behaviour of the students of the Engineering and Technology section of the Annamalai University on the Founder's Day necessitated the closure. The Government are examining the situation created by the incidents and their sequel. It has to be realized that Annamalai University is an autonomous body.”

JANAB MOHAMED ABDUL SALAM:—“The Hon. Minister began the answer with the words ‘it is said’, may I know whether he went into the matter personally and also into the merits of the case?”

THE HON. SRI K. MADHAVA MENON:—“I did not say: ‘It is said’ but ‘It is understood’; the question of going into the merits does not arise since the Syndicate is an autonomous body and they can deal with it.”

JANAB MUHAMMAD RAZA KHAN:—“How is it, Sir, that the Hon. the Law Minister without knowing the full facts of the case gave his verdict that the responsibility is entirely with the students and not with the authorities?”

THE HON. SRI K. MADHAVA MENON:—“I do not know what the hon. Member means by saying that I gave the verdict; the students gave me a memorandum which itself showed that they were wrong and I told them so.”

SRI A. KAMESWARA RAO:—“When a few students are responsible, how is it, Sir, that the whole section has been closed?”

THE HON. SRI K. MADHAVA MENON:—“Sometimes, it happens like that; a grain of salt spoils the whole milk.”

SRI P. KANDASWAMI PILLAI:—“Are the Government aware that the University authorities have increased boarding charges and the room rent abnormally without proportionately increasing the teaching staff and other amenities and these were the main causes for the trouble in the University?”

MR. SPEAKER:—“I do not know how far the Government are responsible for the University administration.”

THE HON. SRI K. MADHAVA MENON:—“The matter did not reach the Government at all, Sir.”

SRI S. NAGARAJA MANIGAR:—“If the matter is so important as to warrant the closure of the institution, may I ask the Hon. Minister to furnish to the House detailed information with reference to the incident and the consequences?”

THE HON. SRI K. MADHAVA MENON:—“I would refer the hon. Member to the Vice-Chancellor of the Annamalai University and also to the Press Note issued by him.”

JANAB MOHAMED ABDUL SALAM:—“The Hon. Minister confessed that he gave the opinion on the memorandum; may I know what is mentioned in it as grievances of the students in the matter?”

THE HON. SRI K. MADHAVA MENON:—“There is no question of my confession of anything; the students gave me a memorandum, in which they said that one of the reasons was the segregation of boys and girls by the construction of a wall separating the girls hostel; that complaint was outrageous and it was wrong on their part to have made that sort of complaint.”

SRI K. BRAHMANANDAM REDDI:—“Is it a fact, Sir, that, as reported in the newspapers, the students wanted that the wall separating the boys and girls hostel should be removed; if so, may I know what the idea is?”

THE HON. SRI K. MADHAVA MENON:—“It is true that they wanted the wall to be removed, but as regards what their idea is the hon. Member has to ask the boys themselves.”
(Laughter.)

[22nd November 1949]

JANAB MUHAMMAD RAZA KHAN:—“Is it true that what the Hon. Law Minister used to do, namely, of detaining persons without provocation has been done by the students of the University in detaining their Vice-Chancellor for 12 hours?”

THE HON. K. MADHAVA MENON:—“I do not accept the compliment of the hon. Gentleman that I am detaining persons without trial and for no reason. I am sure they would not have detained the Vice-Chancellor, if they had followed my example.”

JANAB MOHAMED ABDUL SALAM:—“Having regard to the fact that the Government are paying substantial grants to the University, is it not proper that they should see that proper work is done there?”

THE HON. SRI K. MADHAVA MENON:—“We have not at all forgotten that grants are being paid to Universities and we feel that they ought to be paid. We are examining the situation and, if any interference on the part of the Government is warranted and if it is permissible under the Act, we may do so.”

SRI K. VARADACHARI:—“Have the Government scrutinized whether the grants paid to the University are being spent for the purposes for which the grants are made?”

THE HON. SRI K. MADHAVA MENON:—“There are officers of the Government who look into the matter.”

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A above. The Engineering College was since re-opened and it is now functioning. It has been decided that no ^{interference} action on the part of Govt was necessary. The papers may now be
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1. The first part of the paper is devoted to a discussion of the general principles of the theory of the structure of the atom.