

Home (191 9) Department.

Miscellaneous

Ordinary SERIES.

G.O. No. 1215

DATED 16.8.19

[Despatch Abstract.]

Blue Book Quarterly.

Recording notes relating to a Legislative Council question about the running of a ----- for Madras proposed to be put at the meeting of the 12th August but which was disallowed.

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LOCAL AND MUNICIPAL (LEGISLATIVE) DEPARTMENT.
Home (Miscellaneous) and Public Departments.

The Hon'ble Mr. B. V. Narasimha Ayyar.

- 6 Q.—Will the Government be pleased to state
(a) if they are aware that the *Blue Book Quarterly* or periodical issued by the Mysore Government is a success, and
(b) whether they would be pleased to run a Blue Book Quarterly for Madras?

[Meeting of the 12th August 1919]

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Local and Municipal (Legislative) Department.

CNO 5331 Home (Mis) 2.8.19
QUESTIONS Nos. 1 TO 7 FOR THE MEETING OF THE LEGISLATIVE

COUNCIL TO BE HELD ON THE 12th AUGUST 1919.



submitted that two copies of each of the -
questions may be forwarded to the departments concerned
with reference to Nos. (1) and (4) of the rules regula-
ting secretariat procedure in dealing with these questions
in the Legislative Council. The point whether questions
and resolutions should be admitted at the meeting of the
12th August was discussed in the Executive Council and the
decision was against this course. The questions so far
received have however been submitted to His Excellency
with the recommendation that the Additional Member should
be told that his questions cannot be admitted and that he
can put them at a later meeting. His Excellency has at
the same time been requested that if the decision in
Council is to be departed from and the questions are to
be admitted for this meeting, telegraphic orders may be
sent to this department/whether they are or are not to be
accepted in the former case whether question 5 may be -
admitted with the omission of the argumentative portions
enclosed in brackets in the copy. His Excellency's
orders will be communicated to the departments as seen
as received.

C.S.
2-8-19.

L.A.C.
2-8-19.

To

The L & M (Legislative) qns. 1 and 4.
The Public qns. 4 and 6.
The Revenue (Special) qns. 2 and 7.
The Financial qn. 3.
The Home (Mis). qns. 4 and 6. ✓
The Home (Education) qn. 5.

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Please see the question on p 1 ante.

The same Honble Asst. Member asked a similar question ^{in 1915} about the Bombay Bluebook quarterly and he was told in reply that the

Govt. did not contemplate starting such a journal ~~at present~~. - vide G.O. No. 1790 Public dated 10th Dec 1915.

The question of this Govt. starting a publication somewhat on the lines of the Bombay Blue Book quarterly was further examined and the matter was dropped.

(H) - vide Notes to G.O. No. 313 Home (Mis) of 11 Nov 1916.

4. Two issues of the Mysore Bluebook Quarterly to which the Honble Asst. Member refers are put up.

5. The following draft answer is submitted for consideration:-

Answer: (a) The Govt. have no information. (b) The Govt. ^{have no intention of} do not propose starting such a periodical at present.

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See Mr Harvey at p 12 & J. A. Cardus
at p 15 of Co. 1790
again on pp 10-11 of Co. 313
The present is a special
inappropriate comment for the

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Local and Municipal (Legislative) Department.
QUESTIONS Nos. 1 TO 7 FOR THE MEETING OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL TO BE HELD ON THE 17TH AUGUST 1919.
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2-8-19.

To
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The Public Secy. 4 and 6.
The Revenue (Special) Secy. 2 and 1.
The Municipal Secy. 5.
The Home (Mis) Secy. 4 and 6.
The Home (Education) Secy. 2.

Box 20
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H.M.

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Asking of this question as we have
just started a publicity Bureau &
all questions of publicity must
meanwhile be sub judice. Draft
answer as at A above

[Signature]
6/11/19

Things have changed since we last
considered the matter. One
main objection then urged —
want of a competent Editor —
no longer exists as the
Publicity Office can manage this.
I should like to get an estimate
Mr. Gwynn's price before deciding
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Please see the ques-
tions ^{in C. 7.} and the note by the
Leg. section at p. 2 ante. Orders
as to the admission of the
questions have not yet been
received.

2. Public is not con-
cerned with either of the questions.
Question 4 is about publicity ar-
rangements which are now
dealt with in the Home (Misc)
Dep't. The Blue Book quarterly
issued by the Mysore Govt.
referred to in question 5—
is understood to be a review
of a administration. The ques-
tion of issuing a similar
review in this Presy. is one
for consideration in the
Home (Misc) Dep't. who are
concerned with the Presy. adminis-
tration Report.

3. This subd. therefore
that the file may be passed on
to Home (Misc) v.o.

Since we are sure that
no further action is
to be taken at this
time.

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x The only copy available
is in Home (Misc).

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I would be disposed to answer
to both branches of the question:-
"The Govt. will consult the Publicity
Board."

I would like to have in-formation
views of the matter, however, after
finally deciding

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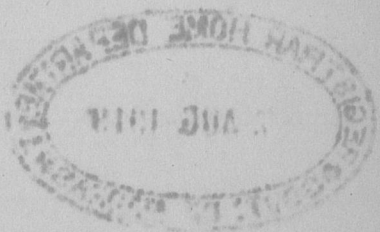
T. T. Quynh Esq. R.S. 4-0.

I consulted the P. Board. It
would like time to look thro
the Bombay Quarterly & the Mysore
Journal before submitting
a definite resolution but Mr G.A.
Nelson strongly denounced the
uselessness of this form of publication.

My own view is that
what these quarterlies aim at
doing could be much better done
(a) by establishing a library & reading room
with an information bureau.

The original f.o.s would be available
in the library and it would be the business
of the officer in charge to help the
inquirer in hunting out
a understanding the relevant

f.o.s
(b) by publishing in the press from time



To time popularize notes drawing attention to interesting matter buried in administration reports formal ET G.O. & a communiqué.

The quarterly seem to me badly designed

(1) as they contain a medley of unconnected & incongenious matters

(2) as they are out of date. popularizing articles & news & notes are apt to be out of date when issued

(3) as they are likely to reach only a very limited public
submitted that the question may as well be formally referred to the Board.
H.M.
9.8.19

I agree with Mr. Gwynn and would answer as already proposed
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9.8.19

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No questions having been admitted at the meeting of the 12th August 1919 these notes may be
No 1215 of 16. Aug 1919
Recorded.

I have retained 1 copy of the Bombay quarterly & 1 of the Mysore for the information of the members of the Board who wish to form an opinion on them

The main file (excl. p5 ante) was read on 14.8.19

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*The Quarantine Commission to me
hasly changed
as the Commission a matter of uncertainty
on this account of the following
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P. 10. P*

*2 pages with Mr. Quinn and
would answer an already asked
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P. 10. P*

*These references
to the Board of Health
are for the information
of the members of the
Board who work in
the Home Department*

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Local and Municipal (Legislative) Department.

In continuation of u.o. note of this
Department dated the 2nd August 1919 regarding certain
questions for the ensuing meeting of the Legislative
Council on the 12th idem, the departments concerned
may be informed u.o. that His Excellency's orders have
since been received to the effect that no resolutions
or questions are to be admitted for this meeting.

C.S.
7-8-19.

L.A.C.
7-8-19

H.O.S.
7-8-19.

L & M u.o. No. 1751-1 Regve, dated 7th August 1919.

- The Home (Education) Department. no. 5.
- [The Local and Municipal (Legislative) nos. 1 and 4.]
- The Public Department. nos 4 and 6.
- The Revenue (Special) Department nos 2 and 7.
- The Public Works Department. no. 3.
- The Home (Misc) Department. nos. 4 and 6.



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