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Abstract.—Administration Report of the Education Department 1964-65—Reviewed.

Read.—The Administration Report of the Education Department for the year 1964-65 forwarded by the Director of Public Instruction.

ORDER

Recorded.

Organisation and Personnel

The administrative set up of the Education Department remained the same without any change during the year under review till 1st October 1964 when a re-organisation of the Education Department was made. Sri P. K. Umashankar continued to be the Director of Public Instruction. Sri K. P. Radhakrishna Menon was the Administrative Officer till 10th August 1964. Sri N. R. Prabhakaran assumed charge as Administrative Officer on 10th August 1964 and continued in the post during the year. Sri P. K. Syed Mohamed held the post of Finance Officer till 5th September 1964. Sri Gopalakrishna Menon succeeded him and continued till 25th February 1965. Sri S. Appadurai Iyer succeeded him and continued as Finance Officer during the year. Sri N. Viswambharan continued as Deputy Director during the year. Sri P. R. Viswanathan Nair held the post of Planning Assistant (Assistant Director) till 13th January 1965. On his appointment as Deputy Commissioner for Government Examinations, Sri M. N. Karunakaran Nair was posted as Assistant Director (Planning). The post of II Grade Accounts Officer was upgraded as I Grade and Sri V. Ganesan was appointed in the post vice Sri C. Nataraja Pillai. Sri V. Govindankutty Menon continued as Special Officer for P.S.S. Scheme Pay Fixation till 19th January 1965, the date on which the post of Special Officer was abolished, and Sri Govindankutty Menon was appointed in the post of Administrative Assistant in the Directorate of Public Instruction and he continued in the post during the year. Sri K. S. Sivaramakrishnan continued as Special Officer, CARE and Sri A. Sivaramakrishnan as Text Books Officer. The post of Hindi Special Officer was re-designated as Assistant Director (Hindi) and Sri K. S. Mony continued in the post. Sri M. Hameed Hassan continued as Law Officer. Sri V. E. Easo was assisting the Director of Public Instruction on matters relating to Physical Education from 1st March 1964;

The re-organisation of the Education Department based on the report of the Special Officer appointed in January 1964 was given effect from 1st October 1964. Consequently those were changes in the administrative set up of the Department. The Examination Wing has come to function as a separate unit of the Directorate of Public Instruction under the immediate control of the Commissioner for Government Examinations. The Director of Public Instruction is the Commissioner for Government Examinations also. To assist the Commissioner a post of Deputy Commissioner on Rs. 500-800 was created. Sri S. N. Sankara Narayana Iyer, Secretary to the Board for Public Examinations was appointed in the post of Deputy Commissioner on 21st December 1964 and he continued in the post till his retirement on 6th December 1964. Sri P. R. Viswanathan Nair succeeded Sri S. N. Sankara-narayana Iyer as Deputy Commissioner. The post of Secretary, Board of Public Examinations was re-designated as Secretary to the Commissioner for Government Examinations and Sri M. M. Mathew, District Educational Officer, Pathanamthitta was appointed in the post.

A post of Assistant Director on Rs. 300-550 was created and Smt. B. Visalakshy Amma, District Educational Officer, Thiruvella was posted from 11th November 1964 and she is continuing in the post. The posts of Assistant Accounts Officer and S.A.S. Superintendent on deputation from the office of the Accountant-General were abolished and the work is being attended to by the Accounts Officer Grade I. The establishment of the Statistical Wing of the Department was separated and was attached to the Statistical Department from 1st October 1964. But the administrative and technical control vested with the Director of Public Instruction and the Director, Bureau of Economics and Statistics respectively.

There were no major changes in the Regional level. Consequent on the re-organisation of the Department four additional Educational Districts were formed at Alwaye, Chowghat, Kottarakkara and Kanjirappally and one additional post of District Educational Officer, was sanctioned in the Trivandrum District. 28 additional Educational Sub-Districts were created with effect from 1st September 1964 and re-alignment of the then existing Sub-Districts was made. The State Institute of Education and Science came into existence during the period.

General

There were 10,770 institutions under the Department during the year 1964-65 as against 10,484 during 1963-64. Among them 4,067 were Departmental and the remaining 6,703 private institutions including aided and unaided ones. The total enrolment in the institutions increased from 3,818,436 to 4,010,101 during the year; out of which 45.81 per cent were girls. The number of unaided educational institutions increased from 64 to 91.

Mid-day meals were supplied to the needy pupils in Lower Primary Schools with the gift made by the CARE organisation. The number of teachers including Primary, Secondary and other academic schools was 122,199 which is an increase of 3.14 per cent over that of the previous year. The women teachers constituted 42.97 per cent of the total. Training facilities were developed and the appointment of trained teachers was insisted on as far as possible. The percentage of trained teachers was 87.78.

There were 136 pre-primary schools, 6,930 lower primary schools, 2,438 upper primary schools and 1,146 high schools during the year under review.

The Post Graduate Basic Training College, the Hindi Training College at Ramavarnapuram, the 7 Schools for the Handicapped, 3 Language Teachers' Training Centres, 3 Nursery Training Schools and the 105 Basic Training Schools including the Anglo-Indian Training School at Tellicherry, the S. R. V. Music School, Trichur, the Fine Arts Schools, Trippunithura and the Ravi Varma Painting School, Mavelikara continued to function satisfactorily throughout the year.

The ten year course of study continued during the year. Refresher courses seminars and conference were conducted in various centres to give the teachers a re-orientation. Scholarships, fee concessions and other aids were given to the pupils belonging to Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes and Other Backward Communities. The period under review was noted for varied activities and new ventures in the field of education guided by the State Institute of Education and Science. The State Education Advisory Board continued as an important advisory body on educational policy and administration. Under Social Education, grants were given to the Kerala Grandhasala Sanghom and Local Library Authorities. Special attention was bestowed in the fields of oriental and aesthetic education, physical training, sports and games, youth festival, etc.

The total expenditure on 'general education' amounted to Rs. 19,88,35,231.14 p. as against Rs. 18,45,92,516.26 p. during the year 1963-64. This recorded an increase of 7.71 per cent over 1963-64.

Basic Education

There were 370 Junior Basic Schools, 73 Senior Basic Schools and 3 Post Basic Schools during the year with a total strength of 111,815, out of which the percentage of girls is 44.79. There were 104 Basic Training Schools, one Anglo-Indian Training School at Tellicherry, and one Post Graduate Basic Training College at Trichur.

Primary Education

There was progress in the field of Primary Education during the year under review. The Primary Education in the State extends over

a period of 7 years, Standards I—IV constituting the Lower Primary Stage and Standards V—VII the Upper Primary Stage. There were 6,930 Lower Primary Schools, and 2,438 Upper Primary Schools in the State with a total strength of 3,424,765. The total number of teachers in Primary Schools were 100,106. A sum of Rs. 41·8 million approximately was spent by the Government for the noon-feeding.

The total expenditure under Primary Education during year 1964-65 was Rs. 13,23,03,789·35 p. as against Rs. 12,35,63,840·76 p. during 1963-64. The average annual cost per pupil in a primary school was Rs. 38·63 whereas it was Rs. 39·39 during 1963-64.

Secondary Education

Necessary steps were taken for the qualitative and quantitative improvement of Secondary Education. There were 1,146 High Schools including 3 Post Basic, 6 Fisheries and 7 Anglo-Indian High Schools. About 70 per cent of the High Schools were under Private Management. The total number of students in Standards VIII to X in the Secondary Schools was 585,336 and the total number of teachers was 21,192. The total expenditure under Secondary Education was Rs. 4,49,67,482·37 p. as against Rs. 4,08,72,588·07 p. of the previous year which is about 22·62 per cent of the total expenditure. The total average annual cost per pupil during the year was Rs. 76·82 p. during this year as against Rs. 73·67 p. in 1963-64.

Scholarships and Fee Concessions

The pattern of distribution of various kinds of scholarships, stipends, etc., continued as in the previous year. Scholarships were awarded according to the rules and regulations prevailing in the Travancore, Cochin and Malabar areas.

The State Institute of Education

Sri A. K. Narayanan Nambiar continued to be the Director of Educational Research and Services till 29th November 1964 and assumed charge as the Director of the newly formed Institute of Education on 30th November 1964. The Central Educational Library of the Directorate of Public Instruction was brought under the control of the State Institute of Education. The field programmes of the Institute include the School Integration Programme, improvement in instruction in Primary Schools and improvement of standard in the training of teachers, English Language Unit, training in Community Development Programmes for Secondary Schools, etc. Work for National Education Commission, academic matters relating to text books and syllabus, preparation of Plan schemes, matters connected with the National Council of Educational Research and Training, etc., In-service Training to Science Teachers of High Schools, conducting orientation courses, organisation of Central Science Club, Study Centre for Science

teachers of High Schools, etc., are the other activities of the Institute. The total expenditure on the training of guidance officers, Educational Bureau, and Qualitative Improvement of Science was Rs. 4,55,708·60 p.

Text Books

The scheme of nationalisation of text books continued during the year. A total number of 5,214, 000 copies of books were printed during the year 1964-65. The total of receipts and expenditure during 1964-65 were Rs. 50,05,404 and Rs. 22,66,498 respectively. The Text Books Branch was reorganised and strengthened, 4 additional Text Books Depots were opened in the four new Educational Districts. One additional Government Central Text Book Store was opened during the year at Shoranur for stocking and distribution of text books in the Malabar Area.

During the year under review the Government allowed parity in emoluments to teaching and not teaching staff in aided schools with those in Government Schools. The pension, provident fund and retirement benefits, death-cum-retirement gratuity, family pension, fee concessions and medical concessions now enjoyed by Government servants under Kerala Service Rules were also extended to teaching and non-teaching staff in aided schools.

During 1964-65, Shift System continued in 3,000 Primary Schools where accommodation was insufficient. 134 schools worked under the Sessional System.

Receipts and Expenditure on Education

The total receipts for the year 1964-65 was Rs. 2,14,10,670·48 p. and the gross expenditure on Education was Rs. 19,88,35,231·14 p.

Conclusion

Reorganisation was effected in the Department and efforts for improvement in all the activities of the Department were made. The administration of the Department during the year was satisfactory.

(By order of the Governor)

P. K. ABDULLA,
Secretary to Government.

PREFACE

This report has been drawn up closely on the lines suggested by the Government of India. The various activities of the Department during 1964-65 have been reviewed with all relevant statistical materials.

Trivandrum,
20th January 1966.

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Director of Public Instruction.

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