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APPENDIX "A".

LEGAL EDUCATION COMMITTEE, GOVERNMENT OF BOMBAY.

QUESTIONNAIRE.

A. INTRODUCTORY:

 Is the scheme of Legal Education introduced in 1938 satisfactory in your opinion? If not, in what respects?

B. PRE-LEGAL EDUCATION:

- What should be the stage of admission to the law course.—Intermediate Examination of the University, as at present, or Graduation?
- 3. If the former, do you think that a student who has passed any Intermediate Examination of the University should be admitted to the law course, e.g., Inter-Science, Inter-Commerce, etc.? If not, what modifications would you suggest?
- If Graduation, do you think any graduate should be admitted to the law course, e.g., B.A. with Languages, B.Sc., B.Ag., etc.? If not, what modifications would you suggest?
- 5. Is in your opinion any minimum prelegal education necessary for admission to the law courses? If so, what?
- Do the Intermediate Examinations of the University, or Graduation satisfy this minimum?
- 7. If the answer to the above question is in the negative, what subjects ought, in your opinion, to be included in such a pre-legal course? What should be its duration? What should be the stage of admission to the said course?
- 8. Do you think it desirable that this pre-legal course should be taught in a Law College?

C. LL.B. COURSES:

9. Do you approve of the subjects included at present in the two LL.B. examination courses of the Bombay University? If not, what alterations would you suggest? Do you think that a student should have a certain amount of choice of subjects? If yes, what options would you suggest?

- 10. What should be the duration of the LL.B. courses? Do you suggest any minimum age being prescribed for admission to the LL.B. courses?
- Are you in favour of a student getting his LL.B. degree after passing two examinations, as at present, or would you have the number of examinations increased?
- 12. Do you think that the University law course should be confined to the cultural aspect of law and not the professional? If the latter, what other agency, such as the Bar Council, etc., should be entrusted with the practical and professional training of a law student?
- 13. What should be the duration of such a professional and practical training? What course, ways and methods would you suggest for such training? Should a student be entitled in your opinion to appear for the professional examination as an external student without keeping any terms in a recognized Law College?

D. POST-GRADUATE COURSE:

- 14. Are you satisfied with the present Post-Graduate, i.e., the LL.M., courses in law? If not, what modifications and alterations would you suggest? What should be the duration of the course?
- Do you think that there should be greater specialization in law at the Post-Graduate stage, e.g., Criminology, Land Law, Constitutional Law, International Law, Labour Legislation, etc.?
- 16. Do you think it desirable that at the Post-Graduate stage, a law subject should be combined with the study of an appropriate social science, e.g., Constitutional Law with Political Theory, Criminology with Psycchology, etc.?
- 17. Do you think that a separate Degree should be instituted for research in law, such as Ph.D., or LL.D.? If yes, what should be the minimum qua ification for admission to such a course? What should be its duration?
- 18. What ways and means would you suggest for encouraging research in law among students of law?

- 19. What ways and means would you suggest for the improvement of the teaching of Post-Graduate courses?
- 20. Do you think that the facilities afforded by the Law Colleges in the Province for the study of Post-Graduate courses in law are adequate? If not, would you favour the establishment of a separate Institute for Advanced St dies in Law, either by Government or by the Universities?

E. CONTROL OF LEGAL EDUCATION:

- 21. Do you approve of the present system of Legal Education being controlled by different bodies, such as the University, the Bar Council and the High Court?
- 22. With the establishment of many Universities in the Province, do you think it desirable in the interest of Legal Education to set up a single Body such as a Council of Legal Education to control Legal Education in the Province? If yes, what should be its composition and powers?

F. DIPLOMA COURSES IN LAW:

23. A full course in law may not be necessary in many walks of life, e.g., for labour officers, social workers, jobs in banking or commercial firms, or cooperative societies, etc. But knowledge of a particular branch of law may be an essential qualification. Do you think it desirable to institute Diploma courses in Law to satisfy such demands? If yes, what Diploma courses would you suggest? What should be its duration? What should be the admission stag: for such courses? What authority should control them? Please give your opinion on all aspects of the question.

G. TEACHING OF LAW:

24. What methods would you suggest for the improvement of the teaching of law? Do you think that the pre-ent methods of teaching law need any improvement? If so, in what respects?

- 25. Do you approve of the minimum qualification and training required by the Bombay University for appointments to the teaching staff of the Law Colleges in the Province? If not, what modifications and alterations would you suggest?
- 26. What method of recruitment to the teaching staff of the Law Colleges would you suggest?

H. GENERAL:

- 27. Do you think that the standard of a Degree in Law should be raised? If so, in what respects?
- 28. Do you approve of the existing method followed by the University of examining students in law? If not, what alterations would you suggest? Do you think it desirable that a certain percentage of marks at a law examination should be reserved for the work done by a student in the Law College?
- 29. What, in your opinion, should be the maximum strength of a class in a law college from the point of view of efficienty?
- 30. And generally.

APPENDIX "B".

List of individuals, institutions and associations who have sent in their replies to the questionnaire of the Legal Education Committee, Bombay.

Serial No.	Name.		Designation.
1	Abhyankar, Mr. S. Y.	•••	Advocate, Bombay.
3	Albal, Mr. V. V.	***	District Judge, Satara.
8	Ankalgi, Mc. A. Y.	•••	Judge, Small Causes Court, Poons.
4	Badkaka, Mr. D. K.	***	Deputy Secretary, Department of Labour, Saurashtra.
5	Banaji, Mr. H. D.		Advecate, High Court, Bombay.
6	Bhat, Mr. P. C.	•••	District Judge, Nadiad.
7	Bhat, Mr. V. R.	•••	Principal, Law College, Belgaum.
8	Bhopatkar, Mr. L. B.		Professor of Law, Law College, Poona.
9	Chavan, Mr. D. R.		Indore.
10	Dabholkar, Mr. S. G.		Principal, Shahaji Law College, Kollapur.
11	Daroowalla, Dr. P. N.		Advocate, High Court, Bombay.
12	Datar, Mr. B. N.		Pleader, Belgaum.
18	Davar, Mr. A. S.	•••	Advocate, Bombay.
14	Dingare, Mr. B. S.	•••	Judge, Labour Court, Jalgaon.
15	Dongerkery, Mr. S. B.	•••	Registrar, University of Bombay.
16	Гуzее, Mr. A A. A.	***	Member, Public Service Commission, Bombay.
17	Gujraf, Mr. B. B.		Principal, School for Training of Labour. Welfare Workers, Bombay.
18	Honavar, Mr. M. B.		Principal Judge, Bombsy City Civil Court.
19	Jadhav, Mr. M. K.		Collector, Belgaum.
20	Jhaveri, Mr. K. M.		Bombay.
21	Joshi, Mr. R. C.	•••	District Magistrate, Ahmednagar.
22	Kalelkar, Mr. B. S.	•••	Judge, Court of Small Causes, Bombay.
23	Karnik, Mr. R. R.		District Judge, Ratnagiri.
31	Karve, Mr. D. G.	•••	Principal, Brihan Maharashtra Cellege of Commerce, Poena.

Serial No.	Name.		Designation.
25	Katre, Mr. G. N.		District Judge, Dhulia (West Khandesh).
26	Khambata, Mr. K. J.	***	Offg. Chief Presidency Magistrate, Bombay.
27	Kharkar, Mr. P. K.		District Judge, Kaira.
28	Kumar, Mr. V.	•••	District Magistrate, Broach.
29	Muranjan, Mr. S. K.		Principal, Sydenham College of Commerce, Bombay.
30	Naik, Mr. V. A.		Assistant Judge, Satara.
\$1	Noronha, Mr. M. S.		Chief Judge, Court of Small Causes, Bombay.
32	Pandia, Mr. N. H.		Solicitor, Bombay.
3 3	Pandit, Mr. G. V.		Professor, Law College, Poona.
34	Paranjpe, Mr. s., G.	•••	Registrar, High Court, Kolhapur.
35	Parkhe, Mr. H. G.	•••	Pleader, Ahmednagar.
36	Patel, Mr. M. P.		Broach.
87	Patil, Mr. B. L.	•••	Pleader, Dhulia (West Khandesh).
38	Patil, Mr. M. S.	·	District Judge, Ahmedabad.
39	Phadke, Mr. R. B.		Professor of Law, Poona.
40	Phadke, Mr. S. G.	•••	Pleader, Poona.
41	Phadke, Mr. V. R.		Joint District and Sessions Judge, Sangli.
42	Phadnis, Mr. N. H.	***	Pleader, Sangli.
43	Pusalkar, Mr. R. N.		Kolhapur.
44	Sathe, Mr. V. K.	•	Consulate for India, Gos.
4 5	Shah, Mr. H. V.	•••	Professor of Law, Government Law College, Bombay.
46	Shinde, Mr. R. D.		District Judge, Dharwar.
47	Shrikhande, Mr. N. S.	••	District Judge, Kanara, Karwar.
48	Thakore, Mr. M. M.	•••	Principal, Sir L. S. Law College, Ahmedabad.
49	Tope, Mr. T. K.	***	Professor of Law, Government Law College, Bombay.
50	Vakeel, Mr. F H.		Solicitor, Bombay.
51	Vakil, Mr. F. A.		Bombay.
52	Vaze, Mr. R. S.		District Judge, Ahmednagar.
53	Vidwans, Mr. M. D.		Advocate, Poona.
54	Bar Association	*,*	Ahmednagar.

Serial No.	Name.	Designation.
55	Eag Association	Belgaum.
56	D ₀	Bijapur.
57	Do	Dharwar.
58	Do	Dhulia (West Khandesh).
59	Do	Karwar.
60	Do	Jalgaon (East Khandesh).
61	De	Poons.
62	Do	Sangli.
63	Da,	Sholapu-
64	Do,	Surat.
65	Do	Thana.
66	Bombay Advocates' Association	Presidency Small Causes Court, Bombay.
67	Bombay Police Courts' Bar Association.	Esplanade Police Court, Bombay.
68	Bombay Presidency University Students' Association,	Bombay.
69	Bembay Press-owners' Association.	Do.
70	Educational Films of India	Do.

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APPENDIX "C".

List of persons who gave oral evidence before the Committee.

Serial No.	Names of persons who gave evidence
1	Daphtary, Mr. C. K.
2	Dongerkery, Mr. S. R.
3	Fyzee, Mr. A. A. A.
4	Gokhale, Mr. B. N.
5	Munshi, Mr. K. M.
6	Seerwai, Mr. H. M.
47.	Vachha, Mr. P. B.

APPENDIX "D".

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