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**REPORT
OF
SELECT COMMITTEE
ON
BILL NO. 55 OF 1977.**

THE GUJARAT PUBLIC LIBRARIES BILL

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APPENDIX—I

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Motion as adopted by the House in its sitting held on 17th February 1978 for reference of the Bill to Select Committee.

“That the Bill No. 55 of 1977 the Gujarat Public Libraries Bill 1977 be referred to a Select Committee consisting of following 11 members with instructions to report before the 15th March, 1978.

Shri Navalbhai Shah, Minister for Education,

Shri Navinchandra Barot, Minister for Law.

Shri Maneklal Gandhi, Minister for Panchayats,

Shri Arvinbhai Maniar,

Shri Govinbhai Boda,

Shri Jashvantlal Shah,

Shri Gosaibhai Patel.

Shri Gokalbhai Parmar,

Shri Vijaykumar Trivedi,

Shri Sanat Mehta,

Shri Hariharbhai Khambholja”

The Speaker appointed Shri Navalbhai Shah as the Chairman of the Committee under rule 156(I) of the Gujarat Legislative Assembly Rules.

APPENDIX--II

(Vide para 6 of the Report)

List of Associations/Individuals etc. from whom Memoranda containing amendments/ suggestions etc. were received by the Select Committee.

1. Dr. C. P. Shukla, Baroda.
2. Shri Jethalal Gandhi, Secretary, Gujarat Pustakalaya Mandal, Ahmedabad.
3. Shri Pravin Shah, Secretary, Gujarat Granthalaya Seva Sangh, Ahmedabad.
4. Shri H. K. Vyas, Baroda.
5. Shri Bhaidasbhai Parikh, President, Gujarati Sahityak Prakashaka and Vikreta Mandal, Ahmedabad.
6. Shri Chimanbahi Amin, Ex- M.L.A. Baroda.
7. Shri Naranbhai Gadhvi, Librarian, Shree Sarvajanic Library, Surendranagar,
8. Shri Hasmukhlal Ambalal Shah, Librarian, Borsad, Dist : Kaira.
9. Shri Dahyabhai Nayak, Vice-Chancellor, Gujarat Vidyapith, Ahmedabad.
10. Shri Kishorkumar J. Gandhi, Ahmedabad.
11. Shri Vinod C. Shah Librarian, Bhuj.
12. Shri Dahyabhai S. Patel, Secretary, Kaira District Pustakalaya Mandal Piplag, Taluka Nadiad.
13. Shri Revabhai K. Patel, President, Shree Sanskar Yuvak Mandal, Vaghrota.
14. Shri V. M. Doshi, Hon. Secretary, the Lang Library, Rajkot,
15. Shri Ishwer Petlikar, Ahmedabad.
16. Shri Vanraj Malvi, Secretary, Gujarat Sahitayak Prakashan and Viketra Mandal Ahmedabad.
17. Shri Niranjana Bhagat, and twelve other persons, Ahmedabad.
18. Shri Bharati Gosai, Baroda.
19. Shri Manharprasad Bhavsar, Kapadvanj.
20. Shri Pravinchandra Radhanpura, Dhrangadhra,
21. Librarian, Shri M. R. Sarvajanic Pustakalaya, Atarsumba.
22. Librarian, Shree Devachandraji Public Library, Limbadi (District : Surendranagar)
23. Shri B. B. Raval, Amreli.
24. Kum. Chhaya Chauhan, Beggars' Home, Baroda.
25. Shri B. J. Mehta, Ahmedabad.
26. Dr. Ramesh M. Desai, Navsari.
27. Shri Gajanan Dave, Librarian, Roychand Dipchand Library, Broach.
28. Shri Manielal M. Kashivala, President, Baroda District library, Baroda.
29. Shri Shankarbhai N. Patel, Hon. Secretary, Sardar Patel Yuvak Mandal, Bhudasan.

APPENDIX III

(Vide para 6 of the Report)

List of persons who represented personally before the Committee.

1. Shri Dayhabhai Nayak, Vice-chancellor, Gujarat Vidyapith, Ahmedabad.
2. Shri Ramlal Parikh, M. P. and Managing Trustee, Gujarat Vidyapith, Ahmedabad.
3. Dr. R. D. Adatiya, Mahamatra, Gujarāt Vidyapith, Ahmedabad.
4. Shri Vinodbhai Tripathi, Registrar, Gujarat Vidyapith, Ahmedabad.
5. Shri Pravin Shah, Secretary, Gujarat Granthalaya Seva Sangh, Ahmedabad.
6. Shri Mohanbhai Patel, President, Gujarat Granthalaya Seva Sangh, Ahmedabad.
7. Dr. C. P. Shukla, Librarian, Maharaja Sayaji Rao University, Baroda.
8. Shri Tarachandbhai Ravani, Ahmedabad.
9. Shri Bhagatbhai, Shri R. R. Sheth and Co., Ahmedabad.
10. Shri Thakorbhai Shah, Gurjar Granth Ratna Karyalaya, Ahmedabad.
11. Shri Raghuvirbhai Chaudhari, Ahmedabad.
12. Shri Vanraj Malavi, Ahmedabad.
13. Shri Shivajibhai Ashar, Vora and Co. Ahmedabad.
14. Shri Jethalal Gandhi, Ahmedabad.
15. Shri Jivram Joshi, Ahmedabad.
16. Shri B. J. Mehta, Modern High School, Ahmedabad.
17. Shri Jasvantray Khokhanihang Library, Rajkot.
18. Shri V. M. Doshi, Hon. Secretary, Lang Library, Rajkot.
19. Shri Ravabhai Khambhai, President, Shree Sanskar Yuvak Mandal, Vaghrota.

APPENDIX IV

(Vide para 7 of the Report)

**Minutes of the sittings of the Select Committee on the Gujarat .
Public Libraries Bill, 1977.**

I

PRELIMINARY SITTING

The Committee met on Thursday, the 23rd February, 1978 at 2.30 p. m.
in the Honourable Speaker's Committee Room.

Present

Shri Navalbhai Shah, Minister for Education, Chairman.
Shri Maneklal Gandhi,
Shri Navinchandra Barot,
Shri Govindbhai Boda,
Shri Vijaykumar Trivedi,
Shri Hariharbhai Khambholja,
Shri Arvindbhai Maniar,
Shri Gokalbhai Parmar,

Legislature Secretariat

Shri Dwijen Desai, Secretary,
Shri A. J. Trivedi, Deputy Secretary,
Shri V. H. Dave, Under Secretary,
Shri S. S. Makwana, Section Officer.

Government Representatives

Shri R. V. Chandramauli, Secretary, Education Department.
Shri N. C. Buch, Joint Secretary, Legal Department.

As the Committee had to submit its report to the House by the 15th March 1978, the following decisions were taken in that context in the meeting:

(1) The Committee decided to invite written suggestions from the public, particularly from individuals and institutions interested in the Bill and also to hear in person those who wished to be heard in person, and for this purpose the Committee decided to issue a Press Note requesting members of the public and institutions interested in the Bill to send their written suggestions or representations to the Secretary, Gujarat Legislature Secretariat before 5.00 p. m. on 28th February, 1978 for consideration by the Committee. Those who desired to express their views to the Committee in person may remain present before the Committee on Friday, the 3rd March, 1978 in the Committee Room situated on the first floor of Gujarat Legislature Secretariat and for this purpose

the Committee will meet on Friday, the 3rd March, 1978 between 2.00 p. m. and 6.00 p. m. Those who desired to represent in person before the Committee should inform the Secretary, Legislature Secretariat before Tuesday, the 28th February, 1978.

(2) The Committee also decided that those members of Gujarat Legislative Assembly who desire to submit their suggestions or amendments to the Bill before the Committee should send their suggestions or amendments to the Secretary, Gujarat Legislature Secretariat before 5.00 p. m. on 28th February, 1978 and those members who desire to represent before the Committee in person may be asked to appear before the Committee on Tuesday, the 7th March, 1978 at 5.30 p. m. in the Committee Room situated on the first floor of the Gujarat Legislature Secretariat after intimating to that effect to the Secretary, Gujarat Legislature Secretariat before 5.00 p. m. on Tuesday the 28th February, 1978. For this purpose the Committee decided to hold its sitting between 5.30 p. m. and 8.30 p. m. on Tuesday, the 7th March, 1978.

(3) The Committee decided to hold its sitting between 5.30 p. m. to 8.30 p. m. on Thursday, the 9th March, 1978 for considering the suggestions received from Public Institutions, members of the Public and the M. L. As. The Committee also decided to hold its sittings between 2.00 p. m. to 5.00 p. m. on Friday, the 10th March, 1978 for taking final decisions in the matter and to hold its last sitting on Monday, the 13th March 1978 for approving the draft Report of the Committee.

(4) In light of the discussion on the Bill in the House and the amendments received from the M. L. As., the Chairman of the Committee circulated among Honourable Members of the Committee a note prepared by the Education Department of the Government and gave an idea of the important issues to be considered by the Committee.

The sitting of the Committee adjourned at 3.05 p. m.

(For the reason given in para 5 the above programme was changed by the Chairman subsequently).

II

SECOND SITTING

The Committee met on Friday, the 10th March, 1978, at 2.00 p. m. in the Committee Room of the Gujarat Legislature Secretariat

Present

Shri Navalbhai Shah, Chairman,
 Shri Maneklal M. Gandhi,
 Shri Jashvantlal S. Shah,
 Shri Sanat Mehta,
 Shri Arvindbhai Maniar,
 Shri Hariharbhai Khambholja,

Legislature Secretariat

Shri D. G. Desai, Secretary,
 Shri A. J. Trivedi, Deputy Secretary,
 Shri V. H. Dave, Under Secretary,
 Shri S. S. Makwana, Section Officer.

Government Representatives

Shri R. V. Chandramauli, Secretary, Education Department.
 Shri S. L. Talati, Secretary, Legal Department.

After some informal discussion, the Committee heard the following persons.

1. Shri Dahyabhai Naik, vice chancellor Gujarat Vidyapith, Ahmedabad.
2. Shri Ramlal Parikh, M. P. and Managing Trustee Gujarat Vidyapith, Ahmedabad.
3. Shri R. D. Adatiya, Mahamatra, Gujarat Vidyapith, Ahmedabad.
4. Shri Vinodbhai Tripathi, Registrar, Gujarat Vidyapith, Ahmedabad.
5. Shri Pravin Shah, Secretary, Gujarat Granthalaya Seva Sangh, Ahmedabad.
6. Shri Mohanbhai Patel, President, Gujarat Granthalaya Seva Sangh, Ahmedabad.
7. Dr. C. P. Shukla, Vadodara,
8. Shri Tarachandbhai Ravani, Ahmedabad.
9. Shri Bhagatbhai, Ahmedabad.
10. Shri Thakorbhai Shah, Ahmedabad.
11. Shri Raghuvir Chaudhari, Ahmedabad.
12. Shri Vanraj Malvi, Ahmedabad.
13. Shri Shivjibhai Asher, Ahmedabad.
14. Shri Jethalal Gandhi, Ahmedabad.
15. Shri Jivram Joshi, Ahmedabad.
16. Shri B. J. Mehta, Ahmedabad.
17. Shri Vasantrai Khokhani, Lang Library, Rajkot.
18. Shri V. M. Doshi, Rajkot.
19. Shri Revabhai Khemabhai Vaghrota, Taluka Prantij.

The Sitting of the Committee then adjourned at 5.17 p. m.

III

THIRD SITTING .

The Committee met on Tuesday, the 14th March, 1978 at 5.30 p. m. in the Committee Room of the Gujarat Legislature Secretariat.

Present

Shri Navalbhai Shah, Chairman,

Shri Maneklal M. Gandhi,

Shri Navinchandra Barot,

Shri Arvindbhai Maniar,

Shri Sanat Mehta,

Shri Jashvantlal S. Shah,

Shri Gokalbhai D. Parmar,

Shri Govindbhai Boda,

Shri Gosaibhai Patel,

Legislature Secretariat

Shri D. G. Desai, Secretary,

Shri A. J. Trivedi, Deputy Secretary,

Shri V. H. Dave, Under Secretary,

Shri S. S. Makwana, Section Officer.

Government Representatives

Shri R. V. Chandramauli, Secretary, Education Department,

Shri S. L. Talati, Secretary, Legal Department.

After some discussion the Committee felt that it was necessary to discuss and consider the basic principles, basic structure and several aspects of the Bill, but it was not possible to do so during the current session.

The Committee therefore decided to postpone the consideration of the Bill till the next Session and asked the Chairman, the Minister in charge of the Bill to request the Honourable the Speaker for extension of time till next session and also to inform the House about the same.

The Committee further decided to cancel its next sittings fixed during the current Session and to fix next sittings after the current Session was over.

The sitting of the Committee then adjourned at 6.15 p. m.

IV

FOURTH SITTING

The Committee met on Monday, the 19th June, 1978 at 1:00 p.m. in the Committee Room of Honourable the Speaker, Gujarat Legislative Assembly.

Present

Shri Navinchandra Barot,
Shri Hariharbhai Khambholja.

Legislature Secretariat

Shri D. G. Desai, Secretary,
Shri V. H. Dave, Under Secretary,
Shri S. S. Makwana, Section Officer.

Government Representatives

Shri R. V. Chandramauli, Secretary, Education Department,
Shri S. L. Talati, Secretary, Legal Department.

2. As there was no quorum, the sitting of the Committee was adjourned to meet on Tuesday, the 20th June, 1978.

V

FIFTH SITTING

The Committee met on Tuesday, the 20th June, 1978 at 1.00 p. m. in the Committee Room of Hon. the Speaker, Gujarat Legislative Assembly.

PRESENT

Shri Navalbhai Shah, Chairman,
Shri Maneklal Gandhi,
Shri Navinchandra Barot,
Shri Govindbhai Boda,
Shri Gosaibhai Patel,
Shri Jashvantlal Shah,

LEGISLATURE SECRETARIAT

Shri D. G. Desai, Secretary,
Shri V. H. Dave, Under Secretary,
Shri S. S. Makwana, Section Officer,

GOVERNMENT REPRESENTATIVES

Shri R. V. Chandramauli, Secretary, Education Department.
Shri S. L. Talati, Secretary, Legal Department.

2. The Committee commenced clause by clause consideration of the Bill along with the amendments and suggestions received by it.

3. *Long title.*—The Committee decided to substitute the word “promotion” for the words “establishment, maintenance, organisation” in the long title of the Bill.

4. *Clause 1.*— Approved as it is.

5. *Clause 2.*— *sub-clause (a), item (i) and (ii)* approved as they are.

6. *Clause 2.*— *sub-clause (a) item (iii).*—The Committee decided to substitute the words “slides, microfilms” for the word “slides” and item (iii) approved as amended.

7. *Clause 2.*— *sub-clause (b).*—The Committee decided to amend the definition of the word “Council” by inserting the word “Advisory” after the word “Library” and sub-clause (b) approved accordingly.

8. *Clause 2, Sub-Clause (c).*—The Committee decided to substitute the word “Director” for the word “Curator” and sub-clause (c) approved accordingly.

9. *Clause 2, sub-clause (d), (e), (f), (g), (h) and (i),* approved as they are.

10. *Clause 2, sub-clause (j).*—After some discussion the Committee felt that Government will frame the rules and will prescribe standards by which a Library can be recognised as Public Library. Therefore, it is not necessary to elaborate the definition of public Library as proposed by some members.

The Committee decided to substitute the word “Director” for the word “Curator” in sub-clause (j)

11. *Clause 2, sub-clause (k), (l), (m), (n), (o)* approved as they are.

12. *Clause 3, sub-clause (1).*—The Committee decided to substitute the words “Library Advisory Council” for the words “Library Council”. Sub-clause (1) approved accordingly.

13. *Clause 3, sub-clause (2), item (i).*—After some discussion the Committee felt that the provision making the Minister for Education the President of the “Council” should remain as it is and therefore, the Committee decided not to accept the amendment proposed in item (i).

14. *Clause 3, sub-Clause (2), item (ii)*—The committee decided to substitute the words “the Secretary, Education Department” for the words “the Director of Education”.

15. The Committee decided to insert a new item, after item (ii) providing for three members to be elected by the Gujarat Legislative Assembly from amongst its members.

16. *Clause 3, sub-clause (2), item (iii),* approved as it is.

17. *Clause 3, sub-clause (2), item (iv)*, approved as it is.

18. *Clause 3, sub-clause (2), item (v)*.—The Committee decided to reduce the number of representatives of the recognised library associations from four to three and to include two more representatives from men of letters. The Committee further decided to delete the words "in accordance with rules to be made by the State Government in this behalf";

Item (v) approved accordingly.

19. *Clause 3, sub-clause (2), item (vi)*.—The committee decided to amend item (vi) as under,—

"(vi) three persons to be nominated by the State Government from amongst persons having interest in the development of libraries in the State, one of whom shall be an expert in the Library Science."

Item (vi) approved as amended.

20. The Committee decided to insert following new item after item (vi),—

"(vii) one representative to be nominated by the State Government from amongst persons holding the post of a Librarian in the State in any Public Library";

21. *Clause 3, sub-clause (2) item (vii)* :—The Committee decided to substitute the word "Director" for the word "Curator". Item (vii) approved accordingly.

22. The Committee felt that as sufficient provision has been made for representatives from the recognised Library Associations, from men of Letters and also from Libraries, it is not necessary to accept the amendment proposed to include 2 representatives of the city level libraries in the council.

23. As the Committee has decided that the Minister for Education should be the *ex-officio* President of the Council, the Committee felt that it is not necessary to provide for election of the President.

24. *Clause 3, sub-clause (3)*.—The Committee decided to redraft this sub-clause as under :—

"The State Government shall appoint from amongst the non-official members of the Council, a person as the Vice-President of the Council".

25. *Clause 3, sub-clause (4) and (5)*.—Approved as they are.

26. *Clause 4—sub-clause (i)*.—The Committee decided to insert following items (ii) and (iii) after item (i) and renumber items (ii) to (vi) as (iii) to (ix).

"(ii) to recommend measures to be taken for development of public Libraries in the State.

(iii) to recommend measures to be taken for promotion of use of books; Sub-clause (i) approved as amended.

27. *Clause 4, sub-clause (ii)*.—The committee decided to substitute the word "Director" for the word "curator".

28. *Clause 4, sub-clause (iii)*.—Approved as it is.

29. *Clause 4, sub-clause (iv), (v) and (vi).*—Approved as they are.
30. *Clause 4, sub-clause (vii).*—The Committee decided to substitute the word “such” for the words “all other” occurring at two places in this sub-clause. Sub-clause (vii) approved accordingly.
31. *Clause 5.*—The Committee decided to reduce the term of office of the non-official members of the Council from five years to three years. Clause 5 approved accordingly.
32. *Clause 6,* approved as it is.
33. *Clause 7, sub-clause (1).*—The Committee decided to substitute the words “thrice” and “four” for the words “twice” and “six” respectively. sub clause (1) approved as amended.
34. *Clause 7, sub-clause (2).*—The Committee decided to amend sub-clause (2) as under :—
- “(2) Every meeting of the Council shall be presided over by the President and in his absence by the Vice-President and in his absence, by any other member of the Council chosen by the meeting to preside for the occasion.”
35. *Clause 8,* approved as it is.
36. *Clause 9, sub-clause (1).*—After some discussion, the Committee approved sub-clause (1) as it is.
37. *Clause 9, sub-clause (2).*—Approved as it is.
38. *Clause 9, sub-clause (3).*—The Committee decided to delete sub-clause (3).
39. *Clause 10, sub-clause (1) and (2).*—The Committee decided to substitute the word “Director” for the word “Curator” wherever it occurs. Sub-clauses (1) and (2) approved as amended.
40. *Clause 10, sub-clause (3).*—The Committee decided to delete sub-clause (3).
41. *Clause 11, sub-clauses (1) and (2).*—The Committee decided to substitute the word “Director” for the word “Curator” wherever it occurs in this clause.
42. *Clause 11, sub-clause (2), item (a).*—The Committee decided to substitute the word “promotion” for the words “planning, maintenance, organisation”. Item (a) approved as amended.
43. *Clause 11, sub-clause (2), item (b).*—The Committee decided to substitute the word “supervisor” for the words “superintendent and direct”. Item (b) approved as amended.
44. *Clause 11, sub-clause (2), item (c), (d) and (e).*—Approved as they are.
45. *Clause 11, sub-clause (2), item (f).*—The Committee decided to substitute the words “promote collection and preservation of” for the words “arrange for collecting and preserving”. Item (f) approved as amended.
46. *Clause 11, sub-clause (2) item (g), (h) and (i).*— Approved as they are.

47. *Clause 12.*—The Committee carefully considered the amendments proposed to this clause and decided to redraft clause 12 as under :—

“12(1) Any library designated as State Central Library by an executive order of the State Government, before commencement of this Act, shall continue to be a State Central Library.

(2) The State Government may establish and maintain a Central Reference Library at Gandhinagar”.

The Committee also decided that the Status accorded to Gujarat Vidyapith and M. S. Library, Baroda should continue.

Clause 12 approved as amended.

48. *Clause 13, sub-clauses (1) and (2).*—Approved as they are.

The Committee decided to add the following sub-clause (3), as under:—

“(3) Where the State Government is of the opinion that in any local area,—

(a) the provision for library service to the general public is not made to the satisfaction of the Director by any local authority, or any society registered under the Societies Registration Act, 1860, or any public trust registered under Bombay Public Trusts Act, 1950; or

(b) any such local authority, society or trust is not willing or is incompetent to provide the library service to the general public to the satisfaction of the Director,

the State Government may establish a library for the use of the general public in that area.”

49. *Clause 14.*—The Committee decided to substitute the words “Libraries established” for the words “State Central Library and of every District Library established respectively”.

Clause 14 approved as amended.

50. *Clause 15.*—The Committee decided to delete clause 15.

51. *Clause 16.*—The Committee decided to delete clause 16.

52. *Clause 17, sub-clause (1).*—Approved as it is.

53. *Clause 17, sub-clause (2), item (a).*—The Committee decided to substitute the word “hundred” for the word “fifty”.

Item (a) approved as amended.

54. *Clause 17, sub-clause (2), item (b) and (c).*—Approved as they are.

55. *Clause 18.*—Approved as it is.

56. *Clause 19.*—Approved as it is.

57. *Clauses 20 and 21.*—The Committee decided to delete clauses 20 and 21.

58. *Clauses 22, 23, 24, 25, 26 and 27.*—The Committee decided to substitute the word “Director” for the word “Curator” wherever it occurs in these clauses.

The Committee then adjourned at 4.30 p.m.

SIXTH SITTING

The Committee met on Tuesday the 3rd October, 1978 at 12.00 noon in the Committee Room of the Gujarat Legislature Secretariat.

Present

Shri Navalbhai Shah, Chairman
 Shri Navinchandra Barot,
 Shri Jashvantlal Shah,
 Shri Gosaibhai Patel,
 Shri Gokalbhai Parmar,
 Shri Vijaykumar Trivedi,
 Shri Hariharbhai Khambholja.

Legislature Secretariat

Shri D. G. Desai, Secretary,
 Shri P. N. Thakker, Under Secretary,
 Shri K. M. Panchal, Section Officer.

Government Representatives

Shri R. V. Chandramauli, Secretary, Education Department,
 Shri S. L. Talati, Secretary, Legal Department,

2. The Committee considered the Draft Report and approved it subject to the following amendments :—

(1) The Committee rectified the clerical error and inserted the word "not" after the word "should" in para 17 of the Report.

(2) The Committee decided to substitute the words "reference Library" for the words "Central Library" and to delete the words "for the use of the general public" in the newly substituted clause 12(2) of the Bill.

3. The Committee also decided that any member of the Select Committee who desires to record a minute of dissent should submit it by the 13th October, 1978.

4. The Committee also considered the letter dated the 2nd October 1978 of Hon'ble Shri Sanat Mehta, member of the Select Committee forwarding the minute of dissent. The Committee decided that as Shri Sanat Mehta was absent on 20th June 1978 when the Bill was considered clause by clause his minute of dissent can not be appended along with the Report of the Select Committee as per rule 135(2) of the Gujarat Legislative Assembly Rules.

The Committee concluded its deliberations at 1.15 p.m.