

TELEGRAM From the Governor of Kenya to the Secretary of State for the Colonies.

Dated 1st November, 1923.

(Received Colonial Office 11.45 a.m. 2nd November, 1923.)

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1st November.

Your telegram of 27th October Deputed Proposed put before the Indian Congress 2nd October was as follows. It is further proposed that the following Sub-Section should be added to Section 4 of the principal Ordinance (I) is unable to read write and speak one of the recognized languages in common use in the Colony. ~~and~~ The opinion of Congress is desired as to whether such a literary qualification for Indian voters and whether that proposed will allow wide franchise to Indian community. The leader of the Arab community and the Commissioner of the Coast had already recommended the literary qualification of Arabs. It was therefore originally proposed to include literary qualification but on further consideration by the Executive Council it was felt that Indian and Arab franchise should be as wide as possible. Further no literary qualification is in force for European electors and it was felt that if such included for Indians and Arabs it might be necessary to make similar qualification in the European franchise which according to the White Paper was not intended in any way to change. I consider manhood suffrage should be provided for in the bill but if Indians and Arabs favour literary qualification for Indian and Arab electorates their wishes in the matter should be acceded to. I shall be glad of the earliest authorisation to this in the Legislative Council. Yours informs me (that) no reply will be given by the Indian Community until the Congress meets about third week in November.

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of a telegram from the Government of Kenya

1st Nov. 1953Received in the District Office at Nairobi 2nd Nov 1953

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 the Indian Congress 2nd October
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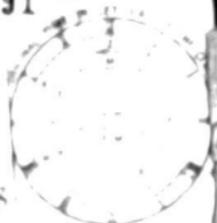
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2/11/23

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Answer to his/minutes/minutes
6/11/23

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C. D.
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Mulamba Selu, KCB
I. D.

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- to J. J. J.
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- to W. W. W.
- to X. X. X.
- to Y. Y. Y.
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On the 21st Oct. the Director
of Education sent to Lord
Puck a copy of a letter from
the Gov. of Kenya giving
the substance of the Report
sent to amend the 24th

Council Order 1919, and you
will remember that some time
ago I was asked by Lord
Puck a copy of the
minutes of the 27th Oct. London
copy of that reply.

I was with you then
and you will remember that
I was asked by Lord Puck
a copy of the minutes of the
27th Oct. London
copy of that reply.

to the first question in the
tel. of the 27th Oct.
to the end of the
words "Indian community"
that the reply to
the second question

For Tel 27 Oct
10700/14
From Gov. Tel. 1 Nov
5-5120/14

receiving

begin with the words "The burden of
the world is on our shoulders"

It is not as that in fact,
which is true, with
certain possible
which by way fill the
day. (I) That the
God think narrow enough
to be possible for Indian
religion, no part of the
Indian religious practice
- literary practice? for
that religious education
to be within the limits
of the world.

If both had agreed,
the burden of the world
propose to reply that
the God may make
the statement. It is
please, let me know
equally whether it had
agreed with my suggestion.

[Signature]