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SEVEN PHASES IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF EDUCATION IN  
THE STATE OF ABU DHABI

I welcome the opportunity of presenting this plan because it provides us all, at this crucial stage in the growth of education in our State, with an opportunity to look at the ends we hope to attain, at a time when we are thinking of the beginnings. Consideration of those ends should help us to place in a just perspective the plans we make for every stage, from Kindergarten to Trucial States University.

At the moment we have slightly more than eight hundred pupils in our Primary Schools, about a quarter of them being girls in the town school of Abu Dhabi. During the next two critical years, with the establishment of schools for girls and boys at the Kindergarten, Village School, Primary and Intermediate School levels, we hope to see our school population increase to over two thousand pupils. By the end of the 1970/71 session we should be employing over a hundred teachers.

FIRST PHASE.

KINDERGARTEN. During the 1967-68 session we hope to see the establishing of this first stage in education, for children of the ages four to six, in and around Abu Dhabi, and in El Ain. Three Kindergarten are proposed for Abu Dhabi and one for El Ain. Accommodation for the staff will be included in the plans to be drawn up for the Women Teachers' Hostels in the Primary School compounds.

PRIMARY SCHOOLS. During the 1967-68 session, four Primary Schools for boys have to be provided. There will be two in Abu Dhabi, one each in Blocke East 3 and 4 of the new town, one at El Ain and one at El Hill.

There will also be two Primary Schools for girls, in Abu Dhabi, and a third established at El Jimi, to serve the El Ain region.

We also plan for four Village Schools to be opened during the 1967-68 session, at El Battin, Tarif, Sa'ad and Abu Samrah.

Plans of this nature require that immediate attention be given to the housing of staff and that this be treated as a matter of extreme urgency. We shall require 3 houses for Inspectors, 40 houses for male staff and their families, and Hostel accommodation for bachelors; 5 houses for Headmasters of boys' schools and 3 Hostels for Headmistresses of Primary Schools, female staff, and the female staff of Kindergarten. Four Village Schools will be needed, with houses for the husband/wife teaching teams, their assistants and servants, kitchens and Diesel plant.

SECOND PHASE

A STATE LIBRARY During 1967-68 plans should be drawn up for a State Library in the town of Abu Dhabi. This, along with Kindergarten and Primary education, is a fundamental need in any educational system. It will also give to Abu Dhabi a cultural centre and a sphere of social integration which it needs. Oriental and Occidental works of reference should be purchased and the Directors be requested to build up a selection of standard works applying to their own fields of work and academic disciplines. I place this in a phase of its own because its importance cannot be stressed too highly, and all future development in education depends upon the immediate establishing of this Library.

It is in June 1967. At the moment (April 1968) there are over 1,800 pupils in our schools, one third of them girls. H. Spencer

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THIRD PHASE

INTERMEDIATE/COMPREHENSIVE SCHOOLS FOR BOYS - one at Abu Dhabi and one at El Ain. At this moment we have a school population of older boys, over seventy in number, who ought to have spent at least two years in an Intermediate/Comprehensive school. We are about five years too late in our planning, and so work should be begun at once, and the schools opened in not less than 18 months time (1968-69 session). We shall need houses for 24 married male staff and their families, and Hostels for bachelors. Houses for two headmasters will also be required, and Hostels to accommodate boys from the surrounding areas.

INTERMEDIATE/COMPREHENSIVE SCHOOL FOR GIRLS IN ABU DHABI TOWN.

Plans should be prepared during the 1967-68 session, and the School be opened during the 1968-69 session. A Hostel will be required for the Headmistress and LD staff, and another Hostel for girls.

VILLAGE SCHOOLS IN THE LIWA REGION. It is proposed that 2 Village Schools be erected from pre-fabricated materials in the Liwa as Primary Boarding Schools during the 1968-69 session (see Phase One above). Provision for boarding boys and girls may be necessary.

PHASE FOUR. If all our plans are implemented, then it ought to be possible for us to begin planning Secondary schools for boys in the 1968-69 session, the schools to be opened during the 1971-72 session.

We should provide a Secondary School, with Hostel, for boys in Abu Dhabi town, and a similar school and hostel in El Ain.

At the outset we shall need houses for 2 Headmasters and 50 houses for married staff and 2 hostels for bachelors.

SECONDARY SCHOOL FOR GIRLS IN ABU DHABI TOWN. Plans to be drawn up in 1968-69, and the school to be opened in the 1972-73 session. Hostel for staff and boarding.

INTERMEDIATE/COMPREHENSIVE SCHOOL FOR GIRLS AT EL AIN. Plans to be drawn up in 1968-69 and the school to be opened for the 1972-73 session. Hostel for staff and boarding.

SECONDARY SCHOOL FOR GIRLS IN EL AIN. Plans to be drawn up in 1974-75, and the school to be opened for the 1976-77 session. Hostel for staff and boarding for pupils.

During 1968-69 we shall need to recruit 2 women Inspectors for Girls' Schools, and 2 houses should be provided, one in Abu Dhabi town and one in El Ain. One more male Inspector should also be recruited and provided with a house in El Ain.

From this point onwards there will be further extensions in the fields of Kindergarten, Primary, Intermediate and Secondary education, and provision will be made for pupils and staff as the need arises. An Agricultural Extension school to be set up in El Ain in 1971,

PHASE FIVE.

TEACHER TRAINING COLLEGE FOR MEN. Plans to be drawn up in 1973-74; the College to be opened in 1975-76. Entrance standard Matriculation. Houses for 12 staff at the outset, including Principal and vice-Principal. Hostel for students and warden.

TEACHER TRAINING COLLEGE FOR WOMEN. Plans to be prepared 1974-75 and the College to be built by the end of the 1976-77 session. House for Principal and Hostels for staff, students and warden.

PHASE SIX.

ARTS, SCIENCE, TECHNICAL, AGRICULTURAL AND COMMERCIAL COLLEGES. Affiliated with the Universities of Lebanon or Jordan. Plans to be drawn up in 1974-75 and the buildings to be ready for 1977-78.

Some form of co-education may be possible at this stage but if not, then special provision must be made for Women's Colleges.

Houses will be needed for at least 70 staff, including Principals and vice-Principals. Hostels for male students and warden, and women students and warden, will also be provided.

PHASE SEVEN.

After Phase six has run with success for about ten years a movement should be made towards the establishing of a Trucial States University in Abu Dhabi.

CONCLUSION.

In addition to the school and college buildings, over two hundred houses will be needed in the first 10 years, to house the teaching staff and lecturers, apart from the many hostels required. The ground must be cleared for all this development, both in terms of material and personnel planning. When the first two years of initial difficulty are over, and our Kindergarten, Primary and Intermediate schools are built, we shall have cleared the way for the further stages of development. These next two years of clearance and reconstruction will require all our foresight and energy. When we look to the ends in view however, it is hoped that it will be felt that any effort and adjustment we may be called upon to make will be abundantly worth while. The clarification of our conceptions and purposes is the first step required of us.

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DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION.

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AND TABLE: ECONOMIC PLAN

YEAR	DETAILS
1968	<u>Primary Stage</u> <u>Abu Dhabi:</u> 3 Kindergarten schools, 2 Primary schools, 2 Primary schools (Girls). <u>Fujairah:</u> 1 Kindergarten school, 1 Primary school. Also 2 Primary schools (New Fujairah); 1 Primary school (K. Zilla); 1 Primary school (Ghaila); 1 Village school.
1968	ATTENDANCE of State Library.
1968	<u>Intermediate Stage</u> <u>Abu Dhabi:</u> 1 Intermediate (Boys); 1 Intermediate (Girls). <u>Fujairah:</u> 1 Intermediate (Boys).
1972	<u>Secondary Stage (Boys)</u> <u>Abu Dhabi:</u> 1 Secondary school <u>Fujairah:</u> 1 Secondary school.
1973	<u>Intermediate/Secondary Stage (Girls)</u> <u>Abu Dhabi:</u> 1 Secondary school (Girls) <u>Fujairah:</u> 1 Intermediate school (Girls).
1977	<u>Secondary Stage (Girls)</u> <u>Fujairah:</u> 1 Secondary school (Girls)
1976/77	<u>Teacher Training</u> 1 Teacher training college (men); 1 women training college (women).
1978	<u>Technical and Vocational</u> Courses, and associated in Fujairah affiliated to University of London or of Jordan.
1988	<u>University</u> Possible assignment of University of Jordan.

\*These relate to proposed opening dates.

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						Thousand ₹.D.					
						68	69	70	71	72	
*1			KINDERGARTENS								
				NO. GIRLS IN							
			ANGI BHANI								
	1		First Kindergarten	200	100	100					100
	2		Second "	200	100	100					100
	3		Third "	200	100		50	50			100
	2		BAYEN *	50	75	75					75
	3		AL AIH								
	1		First "	150	90	90					90
	2		Second "	150	90	25	65				90
	4		MIH *	120	90	90					90
	5		JEM *	100	80	80					80
	6		ALSHYARAD *	100	80	80					80
	7		RAYED YOUN *	200	100		50	50			100
	8		BOARDING HOUSE (RAYED YOUN)	50	75				25	50	75
	9		OTHER KINDERGARTENS & ADDITIONAL CLASSES IN VARIOUS AREAS	300	500		100	120	130	150	500
TOTAL ALLOCATIONS SECTION (ONE)					1400	620	215	200	205	200	1400

\* THE ABOVE FIGS ARE TO COVER COSTS OF BUILDINGS AND FURNITURE.

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92	1		<u>PRIMARY SCHOOLS</u>	<u>LECTURE HALLS</u>								
			<u>ASHI BHANG</u>									
		1	Boys - First		12	200	200					200
		2	- Second		12	200	200					200
		3	Girls - First		12	200	200					200
		4	- Second		8	140	40	100				140
			<u>BAYSEN</u>									
		1	Boys - First		8	140	140					140
		2	Girls - First		8	140	140					140
			<u>AL AIH</u>									
		1	Boys - First		12	200	200					200
		2	Girls - First		12	200	200					200
			<u>HILL</u>									
		1	Boys - First		6	135	135					135
		2	Girls - First		6	135	135					135
			<u>JHE</u>									
1	Boys - First	6	135	135					135			
2	Girls - First	6	135	135					135			

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	6		<u>JINDGARH</u>	LECTURE HALLS							
		1	Boys - First	6	135	135					135
		2	Girls - First	6	135	135					135
	7		<u>LAYED TOWN</u>								
		1	Boys - First	10	150		50	100			150
		2	Girls - First	10	150		50	100			150
	8		FIVE VILLAGE SCHOOLS IN VARIOUS AREAS		150		30	60	30	30	150
	9		SIX PRIMARY SCHOOLS AND ADDITIONAL CLASSES IN VARIOUS AREAS		400			150	300	350	800
TOTAL ALLOCATION SECTION (2)				-	5400	2150	250	450	350	350	5400

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						68	69	70	71	72																					
*5	1	1	INTERMEDIATE SCHOOLS	LECTURE HALLS																											
												ASU DUBAI																			
													Boys - First	14	300	150	150				300										
													- Second	12	175			75	100		175										
													Girls - First	8	160	160					160										
													- Second	8	160		60	100			160										
													2	x	AL AIN																
																								Boys - First	20	300	150	150			300
																								Girls - First	8	160		60	100		160
TOTAL ALLOCATION SECTION (5)					1255	460	300	120	275	100	1255																				

\* THE INTERMEDIATE SCHOOLS WILL INCLUDE THE FIFTH AND SIXTH PRIMARY CLASSES AND THREE INTERMEDIATE CLASSES.

x IN AL AIN INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL THERE WILL BE A SECTION FOR RELIGIOUS STUDIES.



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						68	69	70	71	72			
4	1	X	HIGH SCHOOLS	Covering Halls									
												AL AIN	
				1	Boys - First	12	175			75	100		175
				2	Girls - First	10	170			70	100		170
					AL AIN								
					Boys - First	12	300	50	100	100	70		300
			5	1	TECHNICAL SCHOOLS								
				2	Al Ain - Agricultural	4	200			100	100		200
			6	1	X	BOARDING HOUSE	STUDENTS						
AL AIN													
	1	Boys				50	60			60			60
	2	Girls				30	50				50		50
		AL AIN											
	2	Boys				50	60			60			60
7			STUDENTS ALLOWANCE		1500	120	220	300	400	460	1500		
TOTAL ALLOCATION SECTIONS (4-7)					2735	170	540	765	820	460	2735		

a THE ABOVE SUMS ARE ALLOCATED TO COVER THE EXPENSE OF BUILDINGS, FURNITURE AND LABORATORIES AND IN THE CASE OF TECHNICAL SCHOOLS THE COST OF LODGING AND EQUIPMENT.

x IN AL AIN HIGH SCHOOL THERE WILL BE A SECTION FOR RELIGIOUS STUDIES.

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SUBJECT: BURAINI OASIS - MISCELLANEOUS NOTES

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THE FOLLOWING DATA WAS OBTAINED BY THE REPORTING OFFICER DURING AN OVERNIGHT VISIT TO BURAINI MARCH 11, 1965.

I. RECENT DEVELOPMENTS

UNDER THE STEWARDSHIP OF SHAYKH ZAYD, AND WITH HIM PROVIDING MOST OF THE FINANCING AND INITIATIVE, THE FOLLOWING RATHER REMARKABLE PROGRESS HAS OCCURRED DURING THE PAST SEVERAL YEARS.

1. SCHOOLS HAVE BEEN IN OPERATION FOR THREE YEARS THEY COMPRISE 120 CHILDREN, 8 TEACHERS. (ABU DHABI SCHOOLS ARE ONLY IN THEIR FIRST FULL YEAR).
2. THE OASIS HOSPITAL WAS ESTABLISHED BY MISSIONARIES IN 1961 AND NOW CARES FOR SOME 70-80 PATIENTS DAILY. (ABU DHABI HAS NO HOSPITAL OR DOCTOR). MALARIA AND CHILD BIRTH MORTALITY HAVE BEEN VIRTUALLY WIPED OUT.
3. AN AGRICULTURAL EXPERT FROM PAKISTAN HAS BEEN BROUGHT IN TO ADVISE AND ASSIST LOCAL FARMERS IN IMPROVING, EXPANDING AND DIVERSIFYING THEIR CROPS.

4. SEVERAL HUNDRED WATER PUMPS HAVE BEEN PROVIDED AS GIFTS OR AGAINST TIME PAYMENTS, SO THAT THE ACREAGE AND QUALITY OF PRODUCE IS BEING ENORMOUSLY EXPANDED.

5. AS A RESULT OF THE AGRICULTURAL IMPROVEMENTS CITED ABOVE, VEGETABLES AND MEATS ARE BECOMING STAPLES OF THE LOCAL DIET WITH A RESULTANT APPRECIABLE IMPROVEMENT IN THE GENERAL HEALTH OF THE POPULACE.

6. A NEW MODEL BUSINESS DISTRICT HAS BEEN CONSTRUCTED AT AL 'AYN, FEATURING SIMPLE BUT CLEAN AND SOLID NEW SHOP BUILDINGS, WIDE STREETS, STREET LIGHTING AND PUBLIC POWER FOR HOUSEHOLD AND SHOP LIGHTS. (BY COMPARISON ABU DHABI'S MUNICIPAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN HAS NOT GOTTEN OFF THE GROUND - THERE IS NO PUBLIC POWER, THE BUSINESS DISTRICT IS AN OLD SOUK WITH NARROW WANDERING LANES AND THERE ARE NO STREET LIGHTS).

7. THE ABU-DHABI-BURAINI ROAD WAS IMPROVED, INCLUDING CONSTRUCTION AND A HARD BASE FOUNDATION ROAD ACROSS THE MOST OF THE SAND DUNES, AT ZAYD'S EXPENSE. AS A RESULT ROAD TRANSPORT IS NOW FASTER (REQUIRING ONLY 3-4 HOURS), CHEAPER, AND INCREASING IN DENSITY.

II. REFUGEES AND LAND TITLE PROBLEMS

BECAUSE THE FORMER INHABITANTS OF HANAGA HAVE BEEN AUTHORIZED BY THE SULTAN TO RETURN TO THE OASIS, BUT MANY HAVE NOT DONE SO, THERE IS A SERIOUS PROBLEM CONCERNING LAND TITLES. ACCORDINGLY, MOST OF THE HOUSES SIT VACANT AND THE LAND IS NOT ALL TILLED, BECAUSE THE OLD OWNER MAY SHOW UP ANY TIME. MOREOVER, THOSE WHO MIGHT HAVE RESETTLED HAVE APPARENTLY BEEN DETERRED, IT IS SAID, BECAUSE SOME OF THE ABANDONED HOMES WERE MINED AND BOOBY-TRAPPED. YEARS AGO THE FIRST WOULD-BE SQUATTERS SUFFERED A FEW ACCIDENTS, AFTER WHICH NONE HAVE DARED TO MOVE INTO THESE ABANDONED DWELLINGS.

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