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From - The Director of Public Instruction, West Bengal,
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To - The Principal, Presidency College,
Calcutta.

Dated Calcutta, the 25th October, 1948.

It has been brought to the notice of this Directorate that recently there have been strikes by students in some Government educational institutions presumably engineered in most cases by outside agencies. This matter is much to be regretted, specially when, with the change in the political set up of the country, greater responsibilities have now devolved upon all classes of the people and strikes are obstacles on the road to progress.

The student community constitutes the very backbone of the nation, as they are the potential leaders of the country. But if they are allowed with impunity to be accustomed to acts of indiscipline in the formative part of their career, relying on the implicit acquiescence or indifference of parents and the implied or open support of their so-called leaders, it is apprehended, that the present generation now passing through the schools and colleges will go down in the race for leadership in the whole of India. It should be brought home to the students that discipline is the keynote to progress and that discipline should come from within so that it may not be at all necessary to enforce it.

He/She is therefore requested to instruct the Professors and Teachers of the institution under his/her control that they should very frequently impress upon the students the value of discipline in National life and inculcate in them a sense and responsibility and loyalty to the State, if our infant State is at all to grow into full maturity. The Head of the College has a special responsibility in this regard and he/she should do his/her best on every suitable occasion to guide his/her pupils in the path of sobriety, and moderation and develop in the pupils' attitudes, habits and ideals of conduct through organised social activities.

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No. 4686(17) of 19th Oct Director of Public Instruction,
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