

Proceedings of the Executive Council of the C.F.T.R.I.,
Mysore at its meeting held at Bangalore on 6.8.1968.

Subject: N.I.H. project on protein-rich foods.

The following is the text of the resolution passed by the Executive Council:

"The Executive Council considered the notes circulated by the Director-General and the Director, CFTRI and also heard Dr.V.SUBRAHMANYAN.

"The Executive Council is of the opinion that the matter referred to the Council is beyond its jurisdiction and, therefore, the Council felt that it is not competent to express any opinion and to tender any advice in the matter to the C.S.I.R."

Prior to the commencement of the discussion, the Chairman of the Executive Council (Shri C.Subramanian) stated that matters relating to previous commitments and also those relating to the personnel should be dealt with the authorities of the Council who are competent to take decisions on such matters. Bodies like the Executive Council are concerned only with budget, buildings, technical programmes etc.

The above view was unanimously accepted by the other members of the Executive Council. Though they studied the papers and discussed some of the related issues, they did not consider it proper to express any opinion.

The result of the above resolution would be that the Vice-President (the Minister for Education) and the Director-General (who has also the rank of a Secretary to Government) will now have to take the decision. Further reference to the Governing Body of the CSIR will only cause delay and embarrassment to all concerned. The Chairman and another member (Mr.P.A.Narielwala) of the Executive Council of the CFTRI are also members of the Governing Body and they are certain to reiterate the same views as they have already expressed.

The Vice-President of the CSIR has already expressed the opinion that 'Dr.V.Subrahmanyan has a case'. The only reason for his referring the matter to the Executive Council was the statement of the Director (Dr.Farpi) that the discipline of the Institute would be adversely affected by the association of Dr.V.Subrahmanyan with the project as the Chief Project Officer. As the Executive Council has stated that it is not competent to express any opinion, it is now left to the Vice-President and the D.G. to take the decision.

Dr.Subrahmanyan was in charge of two big research laboratories of the country for the best part of 36 years. Out of this, he was in charge of the CFTRI itself for nearly 15 years. It is for the authorities concerned to decide whether a person of his standing and experience will undermine the discipline in the very Institute which he had built up. On the other hand, it is Dr.Subrahmanyan who will require adequate safeguards to ensure his getting proper treatment, with the necessary assistance, facilities and freedom to pursue his work.

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