## The Status of Myanmar Education in the Colonial Period

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## **Abstract**

The colonial education system commenced to be supportive to the government. It was required to appoint national service personal at the positions below the administrative level. So, the colonial education system started to be practiced. The colonial education system was practiced at the government schools in Yangon in 1876. The colonial education system started testing at the high schools in Sittway and Mawlamyine. In 1879, Yangon Government High School was changed into Yangon College. In 1881, Yangon College was opened by the government and a 30-member of education syndicate group supervised the Yangon College. Judson College (Yu Dathan College) became a contemporary college of Yangon College. The American Baptist Missionary taught for intermediate class examination of Calcutta University at Yangon College. In 1920, Yangon University was founded. University came into being with its two constituent College, University College and Judson College. There were three kinds of schools in the system of the colonial education. They were the English school, English-Myanmar school and Myanmar school. The first students' strike in 1920 resulted in the emergence of national college and national schools. These colleges and schools were founded with the funds of the public without relying on the support of the government and later the national schools were closed.

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