## **History Note4**

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[4] Egypt's prosperous Greek Communities provided a multiplicity of facilities to it members. Such facilities included numerous primary schools scattered across the inner and outer suburbs, high school education, technical secondary colleges for both day and evening studies. Much of the funding for educational and welfare provisions was donated largely by the prosperous Greek local industrial operations.

The Greek Communities in general ensured good opportunities were available for Greek nationals who showed potential in achieving high academic standards. Once their secondary education was completed, many students of Greek background continued their Tertiary studies subject to a successful entrance exam, at the various Universities in Greece and other European Countries. Many graduates returned to Egypt once they had obtained their intended qualifications.

Other common facilities provided by the Greek Communities included well organised and efficient Greek Hospital, numerous Greek Orthodox Churches, Greek Orthodox cemeteries, large retail stores, social Clubs, Nautical Clubs etc. Greeks in Egypt also indulged relentlessly in leisure activities. Theatre plays and entertainment shows were a common aspect of European life in major cities like Alexandria, Cairo and to a lesser extend in other Egyptian smaller cities. This was made possible with the abundance of Movie theatres/cinemas, sumptuous restaurants, traditional Greek taverns and lavish hotels