Slum Clearance

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266-A. { Shri Hem Barua:
        { Dr. Ram Subhag Singh:

Will the Minister of Law be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a Committee for Co-ordination on Slum Clearance has been constituted with Shri A. K. Sen as Chairman;

(b) if so, the progress made so far by the Committee; and

(c) the time by which they are expected to submit their report?

The Minister of Law (Shri A. K. Sen): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) the Committee has held three meetings so far to discuss the various aspects of slum-clearance work.

(c) As soon as possible.

Shri Hem Barua: May I know if there is a proposal to co-ordinate the work of slum clearance with the work of the State Government?

Shri A. K. Sen: The work of all the agencies including those of the State Governments is contemplated to be co-ordinated.

Shri Ramanathan Chettiar: May I know whether the committee will be visiting Madras, Calcutta, Bombay and other urban areas?

Shri A. K. Sen: If necessary, they may do.

Kunzru Committee Report

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{ Shri Radha Raman:
{ Shri Subodh Hansda:
{ Shri S. C. Samanta:
*267. { Shri Gajendra Prasad Sinha:
{ Dr. Ram Subhag Singh:
{ Shri D. C. Sharma:
{ Shri Bhakt Darshan:

Will the Minister of Education and Scientific Research be pleased to state how far the recommendations of the English Committee headed by Pandit

H. N. Kunzru and set up by the University Grants Commission are being implemented during the year 1958-59?

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Education and Scientific Research (Dr. K. L. Shrimali): The University Grants Commission has accepted the Report. It is too early to say anything about the implementation of its recommendations as it was only towards the end of December 1957 that the Report was sent to the Universities and State Governments for their consideration.

Shri Radha Raman: May I know how much time is contemplated to be taken to finalise the decision of Government with regard to the implementation of this report?

Dr. K. L. Shrimali: As far as the University Grants Commission is concerned, it is the Commission which had appointed this committee. They have accepted the report of this committee; and they have also taken certain policy decisions in this matter. Now, they have written to the State Governments and the Universities to consider the matter and let them know their views as soon as possible.

Shri Radha Raman: May I know whether this report will be laid on the Table of the House for the benefit of the Members?

Dr. K. L. Shrimali: I shall place a copy of this report in the library.

Shri D. C. Sharma: May I know if this report was considered by the Central Advisory Board for Education at its last meeting and if so what was its recommendation?

Dr. K. L. Shrimali: As far as I remember, I do not think it was considered at the Board's meeting but this is subject to correction.

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جا رہا ہے ۔

[The Minister of Education and Scientific Research (Maulana Azad): No. It did not come up before it. It has been sent to the universities and State Governments whose comments are awaited.]

Shri Radha Raman: May I know whether the opinion or comment on this report is invited from various universities?

Dr. K. L. Shrimali: Yes, Sir. The report has been sent to the State Governments and Universities for their consideration and their reactions will be known in due course.

12-00 hrs.

SHORT NOTICE QUESTION

Working Plan for the Community Development Movement

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SHORT   ⎰ Dr. Ram Subhag Singh:
NOTICE   ⎱ Shri Anirudh Sinha:
QUESTION ⎰ Shri Sanganna:
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Will the Minister of Community Development be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal to revise the working plan for the community development movement in the country;

(b) if so, the nature of the changes that are likely to be effected; and

(c) when the revised plan will be put into operation?

The Minister of Community Development (Shri S. K. Dey): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The basic changes proposed are on the following lines:

(i) Transfer of authority to people's institutions at and below the district level;

(ii) the merging of the N E.S. and the C.D. stages into a single phase programme;

(iii) the staggering of the programme into the Third Plan.

(c) b(i) above was considered at the meeting of the Standing Committee of the National Development

Council on 12-1-58. States are now progressing the scheme according to local conditions. As for the rest, proposals have been sent for consideration of the State Governments and it is proposed to ring the revised programme into operation from 1-4-58.

Dr. Ram Subhag Singh: May I know the factors which led to the revision of the working plan for the community development movement?

Shri S. K. Dey: The desire to achieve better consolidation of the ground already covered and to overcome the increasing dilution in the quality of trained personnel which has been manifest lately.

Dr. Ram Subhag Singh: Is it true that for the better implementation of the Plan, the Government had sent certain suggestions to the State Government for enlisting the co-operation of the non-official element and if so, may I know whether those suggestions have been given effect to by the State Governments and if not, why?

Shri S. K. Dey: There has been appreciable progress in that direction.

Shri Tyagi: May I know whether, with the change-over that is proposed to be brought into effect, the chairman of the district development bodies in the country will be the non-officials or the district magistrates?

Shri S. K. Dey: This again has to be determined by the State Governments according to the local conditions.

Shri Kasliwal: If I understood correctly, previously the position was that three NES blocks were to be merged into one CD project. Am I to understand now that every single NES block has been converted into a CD project?

Shri S. K. Dey: The idea is that we shall have one single stage of operation under the community development programme instead of having two stages broken into NES and community development.