

- (3) To stimulate pupil participation and initiative in learning science.
- (4) To encourage pupils to take an intelligent interest in the environment and everyday experience.
- (5) To encourage individual and group initiative.
- (6) To contact other science clubs and to exchange information and activities.
- (7) To aim at affiliation on regional, State, national, and international levels.

Election of Teachers to Legislatures

*1327. { Giani G. S. Musafir:
Shri Ram Krishan Gupta:

Will the Minister of Education be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the University Grants Commission has suggested that teachers be debarred from seeking election to Legislatures; and

(b) if so, the nature of decision taken thereon?

The Minister of Education (Dr. K. L. Shrimali): (a) The University Grants Commission has not made any specific recommendation.

(b) Does not arise.

Refractory Plant near Bhilai

*1328. Shri D. C. Sharma: Will the Minister of Steel, Mines and Fuel be pleased to state:

(a) whether the details of the scheme for the setting up of a

refractory plant near Bhilai with Russian aid during the Third Five Year Plan have been worked out; and

(b) if so, the salient features of the scheme?

The Minister of Steel, Mines and Fuel (Sardar Swaran Singh): (a) and (b). A refractories plant is one of the projects included in the 112.5 million roubles credit from the Government of U.S.S.R. A preliminary project study on which will largely depend the location of the plant, its size, the type of products it will make etc. is now under way.

Parachute Factory, Kanpur

*1329. { Shri S. M. Banerjee:
Shri Aurobindo Ghosal:

Will the Minister of Defence be pleased to state:

(a) whether Parachute Factory at Kanpur is to be expanded;

(b) if so, to what extent; and

(c) the amount sanctioned for its expansion?

The Deputy Minister of Defence (Shri Raghuramiah): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The expansion is designed to double the existing capacity.

(c) Rs. 9.15 lakhs.

Indian Crude Oil

*1330. { Shri Bishwanath Roy:
Shri Achar:
Shri P. C. Borooah:
Shri Hem Barua:
Shri Harihar Chandra Mathur:
Shri Yajnik:

Will the Minister of Steel, Mines and Fuel be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the foreign oil companies in India have