

Shri V. P. Nayar: Will Government be pleased to make an enquiry into his connection with research on the use of atomic energy?

Shri K. D. Malaviya: We shall make enquiries.

Shri T. S. A. Chettiar: May I know what the object of this is; whether atomic energy will be used for military purposes or for peaceful purposes?

Shri K. D. Malaviya: These students are sent there for fundamental training so far as atomic energy is concerned.

RURAL EDUCATION

*516. **Shri C. E. Chowdary:** Will the Minister of Education be pleased to state:

(a) whether Dr. P. S. Deshmukh has submitted a scheme for rural education;

(b) whether the Ministry of Education were aware of the scheme or they approved of it;

(c) what are the chances of the implementation of the scheme; and

(d) what will be the Centre's share of the expenditure and what is expected to be the share of the States?

The Deputy Minister of Natural Resources and Scientific Research (Shri K. D. Malaviya): (a) Yes.

(b) The scheme has been forwarded to the Ministry of Education.

(c) and (d). The scheme is under examination.

श्री जांगड़े: क्या माननीय मंत्री महोदय बतलायेंगे कि किसी राज्य ने ग्राम विद्यालय स्थापित किया है, और उस विद्यालय की शिक्षा पद्धति और अन्य विद्यालयों की शिक्षा पद्धति में क्या अन्तर है ?

श्री के० डी० मालवीय: मुझे मालूम नहीं है।

Shri B. S. Murthy: What are the main features of this scheme?

Shri K. D. Malaviya: It is a long scheme.

Shri Velayudhan: May I know whether this particular scheme is now co-ordinated with the Planning Commission?

Mr. Speaker: Obviously it is under examination.

Shri Velayudhan: It is reported in the press that this scheme was approved of by the Planning Commission. I want to know whether it is a fact or not?

Shri K. D. Malaviya: The Government is not responsible for what has appeared in the press. I have already said that this scheme is being considered by the Education Ministry.

Shri Veeraswamy: May I know, Sir, whether the Government of India will urge upon the State Governments to introduce compulsory education?

Mr. Speaker: Order, order.

Shri Syamnandan Sahaya: Is there any proposal to consult the Universities with regard to the schemes submitted by Shri Deshmukh and is the scheme on the lines of the Basic Education Scheme?

Shri K. D. Malaviya: The answer to the first part of the question is, No. The answer to the second part is that, as I have already stated, it is being considered by the Government.

Shri G. P. Sinha: May I know whether this scheme contemplates compulsory primary education?

Shri K. D. Malaviya: I do not know, Sir.

VISUAL EDUCATION

*517. **Dr. Rama Rao:** Will the Minister of Education be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government of India have invited any foreign film experts for imparting training in Visual Education;

(b) if so, when the team of experts is visiting India and what will be the nature of their work; and

(c) the estimated expenditure on the part of the Government of India in this connection?

The Deputy Minister of Natural Resources and Scientific Research (Shri K. D. Malaviya): (a) Yes.

(b) The team has already arrived in India. This team, with the co-operation of two more educational experts from India, will organize at Delhi and Mysore a training-cum-production course of audio-visual material and book illustration work for use in educational institutions and social education programmes in the country.

(c) About Rs. 1,200/-