

**Mr. Deputy Speaker:** Order, order. There is too much of talk in the House.

**श्री के० डी० मालवीय :** इस प्रकार तनख्वाह के आधार पर एक्स्चेन्ज की कोई योजना नहीं है। जो व्यक्ति यहां से गये हैं उन को सरकार ने सहायता दी है और वह व्यक्ति हिन्दी शिक्षा के सम्बन्ध में गये हैं। मुझे यह नहीं मालूम है कि वहां सरकार से कोई वेतन मिलता है या नहीं।

#### SURVEY OF LOKTAK LAKE, MANIPUR

\*1028. **Shri L. J. Singh:** Will the Minister of Natural Resources and Scientific Research be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Assistant Zoologist, Zoological Survey of India, Calcutta has been deputed to Manipur to survey the Loktak lake;

(b) if the answer to part (a) above be in the affirmative, what are his activities there, what are the subjects for which the survey is being carried out and how long he will stay there; and

(c) what are the development schemes contemplated in connection with this survey?

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

(b) The officer conducted a faunistic survey of Manipur valley with special reference to aquatic fauna and stayed there for this work from 6th January to 21st February, 1953.

(c) The purpose of the survey is to acquire knowledge of the animal life in the valley and is not connected with any development scheme.

**Shri L. J. Singh:** May I know, Sir, whether it is a fact that a fossil of a cuttle fish believed to be 40 to 60 million years old has been found in a village on the Dimapur-Manipur Road, some 27 miles from Imphal by the Zoological Survey of India team?

**Shri K. D. Malaviya:** Certain valuable information regarding aquatic fauna has been collected from that region, as it is supposed that that region was some millions of years ago a lake. It is also learnt that certain valuable information about fish has been collected, but I cannot give the

precise information that the hon. member seeks.

**Shri Amjad Ali:** What will be the age of that particular kind of cuttle fish?

**Shri K. D. Malaviya:** I am afraid I cannot give any particular information in this connection.

**Shri Amjad Ali:** Was there any other find of that description in Manipur?

**Shri K. D. Malaviya:** Sir, I said certain information had been gathered about the aquatic fauna—the animals—of that region. The full report is not before us. Information has just now been collected by the party and they may be preparing the report.

**Shri V. P. Nayyar:** May I know, Sir, whether this survey was merely a zoological survey or was it also a palaeontological survey?

**Shri K. D. Malaviya:** It was a zoological survey and perhaps not much to do as such with palaeontological survey.

**Shri Jaipal Singh:** During the survey, were any pink-headed ducks discovered in the area?

**Mr. Deputy-Speaker:** Hon. Members will kindly await the report. The details cannot be known to the hon. Minister. There is no good going into its detail.

**Shri L. J. Singh:** May I know, Sir, when the report is expected to be available?

**Shri K. D. Malaviya:** Very soon.

**Mr. Deputy-Speaker:** The hon. Member is satisfied?

**Shri L. J. Singh:** Will the Minister please state whether it will be laid on the Table of the House when it is received?

**Shri K. D. Malaviya:** Yes, Sir. As desired the report will be placed on the Table.

#### REFORMS IN MANIPUR JAIL

\*1031. **Shri L. J. Singh:** Will the Minister of States be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to introduce any reform in Manipur jail;

(b) if so, the main features of the reform;