Shri V. P. Nayar: May I know what percentage of Indian students are covered by medical surveys during their school days and college days?

Dr. M. M. Das: As I have said already, it is primarily the concern of the State Government. So, the information is not at present at - my disposal.

Shri V. P. Nayar: University and technical education being Central subjects, may I know whether the Central Government are providing any free medical facilities to university and technical students, so that all students can take equal advantage of the education offered?

Dr. M. M. Das: The assumption that university education and technical education are Central subjects is not quite correct.

Shri V. P. Nayar: Central responsibility.

Mr. Speaker: Next question.

WINDING UP OF MINISTRY OF STATES

*374. Shri Keshavaiengar: Will the Minister of States be pleased to state whether Government propose to wind up the States Ministry and utilise its establishment for other kinds of work?

The Minister of Home Affairs and States (Dr. Katju): The matter is under consideration.

श्री केशवेंचंगार: इस मंत्रालय में अस्थाई कर्म-चारी किर्सने हैं ?

का० काटज्ः मुक्ते नहीं माल्म। अगर नीटिस वैंगे तो बता दूंगा।

P.A.C's. NINTH REPORT

*375. Shri Morarka: Will the Minister of Defence be pleased to state what steps are proposed to be taken by Government to enforce recoveries of the existing heavy outstandings on account of stores supplied or services rendered to private individuals by Ordnance and Clothing Factories during the years 1944—48 as recom-

mended by the Public Accounts Committee in their Ninth Report?

The Deputy Minister of Defence (Shri Satish Chandra): Out of the total amount of Rs. 12:51 lakhs mentioned as outstanding in para. 64 of the Ninth Report (Vol. I) of the Public Accounts Committee, the outstanding sum as on 1st November, 1954 is Rs. 8:43 lakhs.

Steps taken by the Government to enforce recoveries include:—

- (i) Execution of decrees granted in favour of the Government against the judgment debtors.
- (ii) Vigorous and energetic follow up of the cases pending in. Courts of Law or with Arbitrators.

Shri Morarka: May I know what is the main reason for this amount remaining outstanding? This was due in 1944, and it is ten years since then.

Shri Satish Chandra: Out of Rs. 12: lakhs and odd mentioned in the Report, a sum of more than Rs. 8 lakhs is recoverable by the Director General of Supplies and Disposals, and not by the Ministry of Defence. Though this sum relates to certain leather goods manufactured in Ordnance Factories, these supplies were controlled by the late Supply Department, whose successor is the Ministry of Works, Housing and Supply. The hon. Member may put questions regarding that amount to W. H. & S. Ministry.

As regards the sum of Rs. 1,16,916 recoverable by Ministry of Defence and which is still outstanding, a portion is to be recovered from the Railways, from the Nizam's State Railway, for which negotiations are now going on with the Hyderabad Government; one or two other amounts from a firm which is now in Rawalpindi, and so on. The rest of the amount has been recovered.

Shri Morarka: What is the biggest amount recoverable from a single individual or firm?

Shri Satish Chandra: As far the Ministry of Defence is concerned, the

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single amount is Rs. 48,370 recoverable from Messrs. Gupta Bros. We have offered certain terms to this firm and its reply is still awaited.

Oral Answers

Shri K. C. Sodhia: Are any recoveries due for the last three years?

Shri Satish Chandra: This question relates to the accounts of 1948 and earlier.

STUDY OF RURAL EDUCATION SYSTEM

- *376. Shri B. D. Shastri: Will the Minister of Education be pleased to refer to the reply to starred question No. 440 asked on the 2nd September, 1954 and state:
- (a) whether the team of cationists sent to Denmark for studying the rural education system returned;
- (b) if so, whether any report been submitted by them;
- (c) what are the main features the report; and
- (d) the steps taken or proposed to be taken to implement the mendations contained therein?

The Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Education (Dr. M. M. .Das): (a) Yes.

- (b) Yes.
- (c) The report has just been received and will be considered by the Government after the Committee on Rural Higher Education have discussed it with the members of the Team. The Report will thereafter be placed before the Lok Sabha.
 - (d) Does not arise.

श्री बी० डी० शास्त्री: यह कव तक उम्मीद की बाती हैं कि गवर्नमेंट इस टीम के साथ तें करके न्एज्कोशन के सम्बन्ध में कार्य करंगी?

Dr. M. M. Das: The Committee on Rural Education will probably mit their report in January next.

भी बी० डी० शास्त्री : उन छात्रों की संख्या क्या थी बाकि इस टीम में इनमार्क भेजे गए 4 ?

Dr. M. M. Das: There were members, all educationists and not students.

Shri Gadilingana Gowd: May I know, the number of aducationists sent from the Andhra State?

Dr. M. M. Das: It is a long list, and I have to go through the whole list. It is not possible within a short time. If I get time, I can read it.

Shrimati Tarkeshwari Sinha: May I know how the rural education of Denmark will be suitable for our country, and in what way can it be adapted for our country?

Dr. M. M. Das: The question is yet to be considered. No has been taken upon this point.

Dr. Ram Subhag Singh: The expenditure has been incurred.

सरास्त्र वर्ती में डिन्दी

+२८९. श्री एम० एस० द्विचेदी : क्या रक्ता मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

- (क) क्या यह सच हैं कि भारतीय बाय सेना के अधिकांश अधिकारियों तथा सँनिकों ने जो कि अहिन्दी भाषा-भाषी प्रदंशों के निवासी हैं. हिन्दी अल्पकाल में ही सीख ली हैं . ऑर
- (स) क्या सेनाओं के सेनिकों तथा अधिकारियों के हिन्दी शिक्षण के लिये प्रयुक्त की गई प्रतकों तथा उनके लेखकों की सूची सरकार सभा पटल पर रखेगी?

The Deputy Minister of Defence (Shri Satish Chandra): (a) Some of the officers and men belonging to the non-Hindi-speaking regions picked up Hindi in a very short time but this cannot be said of everyone.

(b) A statement is laid on the Table of the House. [See Appendix II, annexure No. 45.]

श्री एम० एस० दिवेदी: में यह जानना चाहता हूं कि जो यह किसावें कोर्स के लिए प्रेस्क्राइव की जाती हैं उनके पसन्द करने का क्या तरीका हैं. और कितने लोगों की सीमीत बलाई गई थी जिसकी सलाह से वे पसन्द की गड़ै?