

Education Facilities in Adivasi area of Gujarat

836. SHRI AMARSINH V. RATHAWA: Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are considering to launch a scheme to provide educational facilities in Adivasi area of Gujarat State; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF EDUCATION AND HEALTH AND SOCIAL WELFARE (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Question does not arise.

Drilling operation by ONGC in Gujarat

837. SHRI AMARSINH V. RATHAWA: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS be pleased to state:

(a) whether any drilling operation has been conducted in Gujarat by ONGC recently; and

(b) if so, where and the result achieved?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS (SHRI VEERENDRA PATIL): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) As a result of recent surveys and exploration, prospective gas bearing areas have been found at Sisodra, Motwan and West Motwan group of prospects to the south of Anklesvar oil field.

National Adult Education Scheme

838. SHRI P. K. KODIYAN:

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Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state:

(a) what progress has been made so far in setting up adult education centres under the National Adult Education Scheme;

(b) what is the total expenditure so far incurred by Central Government by way of grants to voluntary organisations engaged in adult education work under the scheme;

(c) what are the voluntary organisations which were given financial grants for adult education work and what was the amount received by each of them;

(d) whether Government have evaluated the work done by these voluntary organisations;

(e) if so, the results thereof; and

(f) whether Government intend to continue the National Adult Education Scheme?

THE MINISTER OF EDUCATION, HEALTH AND SOCIAL WELFARE (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND): (a) to (f). The total expenditure incurred by the Government of India as grants to voluntary agencies for running adult education programmes was Rs. 46.39 lakhs in 1977-78, Rs. 156.75 lakhs in 1978-79 and Rs. 236.44 lakhs in the current financial year so far.

A list of voluntary agencies receiving financial assistance from Government of India under Adult Education Programme with details of the projects approved, and the grants approved for those projects is laid on the Table of the House. [Placed in Library. See No. LT—544/80].

A Committee has been appointed under the Chairmanship of Dr. D. S. Kothari to review the National Adult Education Programme in all its aspects keeping in view its progress so far. The Government will take a view in the matter after receiving the Report of the Committee.