

part (b) of Starred Question No. 1378 on the 11th September, 1959 and state at what stage is the proposal to place the Council of Scientific and Industrial Research on a statutory footing?

The Minister of Scientific Research and Cultural Affairs (Shri Humayun Kabir): Sir, the Government of India feel that it would not be in national interest to change the character of the Council of Scientific and Industrial Research for the present.

Collaboration between National Laboratories and Universities

2157. { **Shri Ram Krishan Gupta:**
Shri A. M. Tariq:
Sardar Iqbal Singh:

Will the Minister of Scientific Research and Cultural Affairs be pleased to state the nature of steps taken or proposed to be taken to expand the extent and scope of collaboration between the National Laboratories and Universities?

The Minister of Scientific Research and Cultural Affairs (Shri Humayun Kabir): Collaboration between National Laboratories and Universities is fostered by participation of research workers and scholars in symposia, seminars, colloquia, lectures and discussions. Professors and Experts of the Universities are nominated as members on Research Committees of the Council of Scientific and Industrial Research and also on Executive Councils of the National Laboratories. Scientists from the National Laboratories give lectures to University scholars and some of them act as Examiners of post-graduate research workers of the Universities.

Wherever possible Research facilities are provided in the National Laboratories to scholars from Universities. Many universities have recognised research work done by scientists in the National Laboratories for award of higher Degrees e.g. Ph.D.; D.Sc.

Utilization of Ex-Servicemen in Industries

2158. { **Shri Krishan Gupta:**
Shri Pangarkar:
Shri Hem Raj:

Will the Minister of Defence be pleased to refer to the reply given to Starred Question No. 993 on the 21st March, 1960 and state at what stage is the proposal to utilise the talent and experience of ex-servicemen in the various industries?

The Minister of Defence (Shri Krishna Menon): A study Group has been set up to make detailed recommendations in this connection and its recommendations are awaited.

Jyoti Project at Ferozepore

2159. { **Shri Ram Krishan Gupta:**
Shri D. C. Sharma:

Will the Minister of Defence be pleased to refer to the reply given to Starred Question No. 1069 on the 24th March, 1960 and state the nature of progress made so far in construction of Jyoti Project at Ferozepore for accommodation of troops?

The Minister of Defence (Shri Krishna Menon): Progress on construction of quarters as on 25-8-1960 is as follows:

- (a) Officers' quarters—32 per cent.
- (b) J.C.Os. quarters—30.83 per cent.
- (c) Other Ranks' quarters—49.70 per cent.
- (d) Non Combatants (Enrolled) quarters—43.70 per cent.

National Youth Centre in New Delhi

2160. { **Shri Ram Krishan Gupta:**
Shri D. C. Sharma:
Shri Subodh Hansda:
Shri R. C. Majhi:
Shri Madhusudan Rao:

Will the Minister of Education be pleased to refer to the reply given to