

Education of Tribal Children

7536. SHRI GAJADHAR MAJHI:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION, SOCIAL WELFARE AND CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been invited to a news report in a Secunderabad daily on 23rd November, '73, regarding scheme to quicken the process of learning by tribal children submitted to the State and Central Government by the Child-club an organization devoted to the development of creative facilities in Children; and

(b) if so, the main points of this scheme and the reaction of Central Government thereon?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION AND SOCIAL WELFARE AND IN THE DEPARTMENT OF CULTURE (SHRI D. P. YADAV): (a) and (b). No scheme has been received by the Central Government from the Child Arts Club as mentioned in the Press report.

The State Government of Andhra Pradesh have, however, informed that with the cooperation of Child Arts Club a scheme for promotion of cultural talents of tribal children was implemented with effect from 1972-73. The Child Arts Club selected and imparted preliminary training to 403 tribal children in Painting Music and Dance. 28 talented children were given further intensive training in 1973-74.

Rice-husk as a Fertiliser7537. SHRI D. D. DESAI:
SHRI N. SHIVAPPA:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of the reported discovery by the

Secretary, Ferozpur District Farmers Forum according to which rice-husk ash provides a new and cheaper type of fertilizer;

(b) whether a sample of this ash was sent for analysis;

(c) if so, outcome of the analysis; and

(d) whether this is cheap and will help in solving the problem of fertilizer shortage?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE

(SHRI ANNASAHEB P. SHINDE): (a) No, Sir. We are not aware of such a discovery made by the Secretary, Ferozpur District Farmers Forum.

(b) to (d) Paddy husk ash generally contains 1.1 per cent to 3.15 per cent K₂O. With such a low K₂O content, paddy husk ash may not help much in solving the problem of fertilizer shortage.

Cases of Selection Grade of S.C. and S.T. Teachers pending with Ministry

7538. SHRI AMBESH:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION, SOCIAL WELFARE AND CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether a file submitted by the Delhi Administration, Delhi in respect of the Selection Grade to the Scheduled Caste, Scheduled Tribe teachers in Delhi is pending in the Ministry for last two years or more; and

(b) if so, the difficulty in sanctioning the above Selection Grade to the above teachers?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION AND SOCIAL WELFARE AND IN THE DEPARTMENT OF CULTURE (SHRI D. P. YADAV): (a) and (b). Reservation for Scheduled Castes and Schedules