

**All India Council of Book Production**

**3864. Shri M. Rampure:** Will the Minister of Education be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to set up an All-India Council for book production; and

(b) if so, a brief account of the proposed Council?

**The Minister of Education (Shri M. C. Chagla):** (a) and (b). The Government have decided to set up a National Book Development Board. Details regarding its constitution, functions and activities are being worked out.

**All-India Primary Teachers Federation**

**3865. Shri M. Rampure:** Will the Minister of Education be pleased to state:

(a) whether recently an All-India Primary Teachers Federation has submitted any memorandum to Government;

(b) if so, the demands made therein; and

(c) whether Government have considered them?

**The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Education (Shrimati Soundaram Ramchandran):** (a) to (c). A deputation of the Federation saw the Education Minister on 31-7-1966 and left with him a letter from their President. This letter mentions several grievances on matters with which the State Governments are concerned and on which no decision is to be taken by the Central Government. They have also mentioned that education should be 'a Central Subject'. This matter has already been under the consideration of the Government for some time.

**Discovery of Stone-Age Sites in J. & K.**

**3866. Shri R. S. Tiwary:**  
**Shri Vishwa Nath Pandey:**

Will the Minister of Education be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that some stone-age sites believed to be 400,000 years old have been discovered in Kathua district in Jammu and Kashmir recently; and

(b) if so, a brief account of the find?

**The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Education (Shri Bhakt Darsan):** (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Two types of prehistoric tools, which may go back to three to four hundred years, have been recovered from five sites discovered in the Ravi Valley in the Kathua District, in 1965. Their chronological relationship has not yet been established. The tools made of river pebbles were apparently being used for skinning of dead animals, cutting their flesh or splitting their bones. The other type made of small flakes might have been used for comparatively delicate scraping.

**हिन्दी संस्थाओं को अनुदान**

**3867. श्री रामसेवक यादव :**  
**श्री हुकम चन्द कछवाय :**  
**श्री यशपाल सिंह :**

क्या शिक्षा मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि उनके मंत्रालय द्वारा अनेक हिन्दी संस्थाओं को एक ही प्रकार के प्रकाशनों को प्रकाशित करने के लिए बार-बार अनुदान दिये गये हैं ; और

(ख) यदि हां, तो इसके क्या कारण हैं ?

शिक्षा मंत्रालय में उपमंत्री (श्री भक्त वर्शन) : (क) और (ख). हिन्दी संस्थाओं