

[Shri G. S. Basavaraju]

become officers in various fields. Persons of average intelligence will take up other jobs. Others, with a very low intelligence and those who do not have any other way take up this profession. Neither they have dedication nor love for the profession of teaching. Therefore I urge upon the Minister to take up this matter seriously and to appoint well trained and intelligent teachers. Before selection the candidates antecedents have to be taken into consideration. Persons from the merit list should be appointed as teachers. They should be given handsome salary.

Black boards, seats and other facilities have to be provided promptly in the primary schools. At present the school lack all these essentials.

School children of today do not know who is Mahatma Gandhi. They have not heard of Kabir, Ramakrishna Param Hans, Swami Vivekananda, Basaveswara and other social reformers. Therefore I urge upon the hon. Minister to give importance to moral education in our schools. Our children should be made patriots. They should be made good citizens of our country. The Govt. has to take this responsibility of imparting good education.

Unfortunately, at the college and University level also the standard of education is deteriorating. Lecturers and Professors do not feel their moral responsibility. They go to restaurants and bars with their own students. In my area one of the lecturers has opened a bar in the name of his wife. This is the state of affairs of the teaching community in our colleges. Addition to narcotics and other intoxicating drugs is also on the increase among the college and university students. It is high time to check all such immoral practices.

Adult education and women's education should be given utmost importance in our education system. If one man is educated then only one person is educated. But if a woman receives education then the whole country is educated.

The number of holidays and the period of vacations must be reduced. Now our

education institutions hardly work for 6 months for a year. This practice has to be stopped forthwith.

Children's burden of carrying too many books has to be reduced. Vidyapiths are rendering good service to the nation. Therefore, Vidyapiths should be opened throughout the country. Anganwaris also must also be started all over the country. Military training must be made compulsory. Retired army personnel and NCC trained persons should be appointed to impart military training in each school.

Our hon. Minister is an expert educationist and a great scholar. I hope he shall mould the future of our nation and take it on the path of progress and prosperity. I thank you for giving me this opportunity. With these words I conclude my speech.

13.05 hrs.

COMMITTEE ON PAPERS LAID ON THE TABLE

[English]

(i) Fourth Report

SHRI C.K. KUPPUSWAMY (Coimbatore): Sir, I beg to present the Fourth Report (Hindi and English versions) of the Committee on Papers laid on the Table.

(ii) Minutes

SHRI C.K. KUPPUSWAMY: Sir, I beg to lay on the Table Minutes (Hindi and English versions) of the sitting of the Committee on Papers laid on the Table relating to their Fourth Report.

MR. DEPUTY SPEAKER: Now we adjourn for lunch and will reassemble at 2 p. m.

13.08 hrs.

*The Lok Sabha then adjourned for lunch
till Fourteen of the Clock.*