

like to ask one question. The point is super computers are very good tools for simulating war strategies. What efforts are being made to develop software for evaluation different scenarios of war strategy?

DR. RAJA RAMANNA: Regarding software for any computer, think this country has a very high reputation. If anything India is looked upon, it is for soft-ware and it is looked upon as a software country. For many of the super computers, if we have to develop software, we will do it. We have got brilliant team. There is no question of shortage of manpower. With respect to the question relating to Defence, which he has asked under the main question, it is a soft-ware question. It is a matter of developing this. When we will prepare software for other countries, certainly we will do it for our country.

Awards for Outstanding Literary productions

*726. **PROF. RASA SINGH RAWAT:**
SHRI MANDHATA SINGH:

Will the **PRIME MINISTER** be pleased to state:

(a) whether Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan in 1988 had instituted some annual awards to be given to authors of outstanding literary productions by its teachers;

(b) if so, the details thereof, and

(c) details of recipients?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI CHIMANBHAI MEHTA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Three awards each were instituted for publications of teachers in the areas of (i) content (subject matter) and (ii) content of teaching. The value of the awards were Rs. 1000/-, Rs. 750/- and Rs. 500/- respectively.

(c) Twelve entries were received for the academic year 1988-89. None of them was found by the national level committee which evaluated them to be of the desired quality and hence no award was given for the year.

PROF. RASA SINGH RAWAT: Sir, I would like to point out that the provisions that govern these awards are vague. It is not related to the periodicity of the award and the period during which a publication should have been published. The content area remains undefined. Will the hon. Minister come out with the relevant clarifications as to why work in manuscript has been excluded from consideration zone?

SHRI CHIMANBHAI MEHTA: These awards were instituted in the year 1988 and entries were asked for. Twelve entries were received. And at the preliminary stage, they were found to be unsatisfactory for giving the awards. That is why, awards were not given.

PROF. RASA SINGH RAWAT: My question is why have the manuscripts been excluded from the consideration zone?

SHRI CHIMANBHAI MEHTA: All the twelve entries have been taken. If he wants a list about all the entries, I can give that. First is the entry of Shri D. Ojha, PGT (Sanskrit), Kendriya Vidyalaya, Rajkot-four articles published in magazines and journals. Second entry is from Mrs. K. Kalavathi, PGT (Chem), Kendriya Vidyalaya, Minambakkam- a science article published in a journal. Third entry is from Shri K. Appukattan, PGT (Eng.), Kendriya Vidyalaya, Pattam- A sketch. Like that, there are 12 entries. They have been duly processed by the Scrutiny Committee. There was no other entry and because that was not received, there is no question of some manuscript being left out and something entered into.