

Working of Village Panchayats

918. SHRI M. BASAVARAJU: Will the Minister of RURAL RECONSTRUCTION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the village Panchayats and Taluk Development Boards in the country are not effectively working due to paucity of funds; and

(b) if so, what steps have been taken or proposed to be taken by Government to provide funds for the effective functioning of these bodies?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND RURAL RECONSTRUCTION (SHRI BALESHWAR RAM): (a) and (b) Matter is being examined in greater detail.

Capitation fee for seeking admission in medical and engineering colleges

919. SHRI M. BASAVARAJU: Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that heavy Capitation fee is charged from students seeking admission in medical and engineering courses in many States:

(b) if so, what steps are being taken to rectify the situation; and

(c) what are the names of States where such a system prevails?

THE MINISTER OF EDUCATION AND SOCIAL WELFARE (SHRI S. B. CHAVAN): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The question of taking suitable steps in the matter is being examined by the Government.

(c) The Government of Karnataka has approved charging of Capitation fee in private Medical and engineering colleges, while the Government of Andhra Pradesh has permitted the same in some of the newly established private engineering colleges.

Commission for scientific and technical Terminology

920. SHRI MURLIDHAR CHANDRAKANT BHANDARE:

SHRI NARSINGH NARAIN PANDEY:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that the technical terminology evolved by C.S.T.T. has failed to serve the contemplated purpose;

(b) if so, what steps Government are taking to make this Terminology more useful for the cultural integration of the country; and

(c) whether the Government are aware that at no stage the users were associated while evolving and finalizing the said Terminology and whether Government are now considering to associate the actual users—the Readers of the literature in which this Terminology is used and whether they will also be associated in evolving a Pan-Indian Terminology?

THE MINISTER OF EDUCATION AND SOCIAL WELFARE (SHRI S. B. CHAVAN): (a) No, Sir. The Commission for Scientific and Technical Terminology has so far evolved equivalents of about 4 lakh scientific and technical terms. With the help of this evolved terminology, over 1100 books have been got prepared for the teachers and students imparting and receiving education upto the degree level through the medium of mother-tongue in all disciplines. This was the main purpose for which terminology was evolved.

(b) Having achieved success in the programme of book production in Hindi using the terminology evolved by the Commission for Scientific and Technical Terminology, the scheme of evolution of Pan-Indian terminology has been launched to help the cultural integration of the country. Another scheme has been initiated to compile the Hindi equivalents of the common