

# LOK SABHA DEBATE

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## LOK SABHA

Monday, 11th November, 1957.

*The Lok Sabha met at Eleven of the Clock*

[MR. SPEAKER in the Chair]

### MEMBERS SWORN

Shri Jang Bahadur Singh (Almora).

Shri A. Vairavan Servai (Tanjore).

Bakhshi Abdur Rashid (Jammu and Kashmir).

Lala Thakur Dass (Jammu and Kashmir).

Shrimati Krishna Mehta (Jammu and Kashmir)

Molv: Abdur Rahman (Jammu and Kashmir)

Sheikh Mohammad Akbar (Jammu and Kashmir).

Shri Ali Mohammad Tariq (Jammu and Kashmir).

### ORAL ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS

#### Peaceful Uses of Atomic Energy

\*1. **Shri D. C. Sharma:** Will the Prime Minister be pleased to refer to the reply given to Starred Question No. 1520 on the 5th September, 1957 and state whether India proposes to present any papers regarding the Peaceful Uses of Atomic Energy at the Second International Scientific

Conference on the Peaceful Uses of Atomic Energy?

**The Deputy Minister of External Affairs (Shrimati Lakshmi Menon):** Yes.

**Shri D. C. Sharma:** May I know what were the subjects with which some of these papers dealt?

**The Prime Minister and Minister of External Affairs (Shri Jawaharlal Nehru):** I am afraid the subjects are beyond my ken and the hon. Member's ken.

**Shri Viswanatha Reddy:** Apart from a discussion on international co-operation in the peaceful uses of atomic energy, may I know whether any disclosure on new uses of atomic energy for peaceful purposes was made in this conference?

**Shri Jawaharlal Nehru:** Which conference?

**Shri Viswanatha Reddy:** In the international conference.

**Shri Jawaharlal Nehru:** Is the hon. Member referring to last year's conference?

**Shri Viswanatha Reddy:** The recent one.

**Shri Jawaharlal Nehru:** I cannot say what disclosure has been made in a conference which has to take place in the future. Is the hon. Member referring to the past conference or the future one?

**Shri Viswanatha Reddy:** The recent conference in which Dr. Bhabha represented our country at Geneva.

**Mr. Speaker:** This relates to a conference which is yet to come.

**Shri Viswanatha Reddy:** I am speaking of a conference which took place about a month back.

**Shri Jawaharlal Nehru:** That may be. That was a different type of conference, establishing an agency. It is not the type which the hon. Member is thinking of. That will be held next year.

Press Club Building, New Delhi

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\*2. { Shri Shree Narayan  
Shri Radha Raman

Will the Minister of Information and Broadcasting be pleased to state:

(a) whether any proposal to grant free allotment of land for the construction of a building for a proposed Press Club in New Delhi has been considered by Government;

(b) if so, the nature of decision taken;

(c) whether any representation in this respect has been received; and

(d) if so, the important points made out in the representation?

**The Minister of Information and Broadcasting (Dr. Keskar):** (a) and (c) No, Sir.

(b) and (d). Do not arise.

**Shri Shree Narayan Das:** Has Government enquired whether any other country has sanctioned such allotment of land to the Press?

**Mr. Speaker:** How does it arise? We are not comparing ourselves with other countries

**Shri Radha Raman:** May I know whether Government has received any application from any of the pressmen in Delhi for such allotment of land?

**Dr. Keskar:** A Press organisation has made a representation to Government about allotment of such a land.

**Shri Keshava:** May we know if it is a fact that there is a proposal for a grant, free or at concessional rates, for sites for journalists and a journalists' colony adjacent to the Club?

**Dr. Keskar:** I am not aware.

National Development Council

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\*3. { Shri Radha Raman;  
Shri Shree Narayan Das;  
Shri Bibhuti Mishra;  
Shri D. C. Sharma;  
Shri N. R. Munisamy;  
Shri Nagi Reddy;  
Shri Mohan Swarup;  
Shri Maniyangadan;  
Shri Easwara Iyer;  
Dr. Ram Subhag Singh;  
Shrimati Parvathi Krishnan;

Will the Minister of Planning be pleased to lay a statement showing:

(a) the important subjects discussed by the Standing Committee of the National Development Council held in September, 1957;

(b) the important suggestions and recommendations made by it; and

(c) the extent to which these have been accepted by the State Governments and the Central Government?

**The Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Labour and Employment and Planning (Shri L. N. Mishra):** (a) and (b). A copy of the agenda for the meeting of the Standing Committee of the National Development Council held on the 14th and 15th September 1957 and of the summary of conclusions and suggestions arising from the meeting is placed on the Table of the Lok Sabha. [See Appendix I, annexure No. 1.]

(c) Copies of the conclusions and suggestions have been forwarded to the State Governments and the Central Ministries for appropriate action. The Planning Commission and the National Development Council will, in due course, review the action taken by the State Governments and