

also contemplated for making additional supplies available to the water deficit basins and the drought prone area in the South. In July, 1982, the Central Government set up the National Water Development Agency for taking up studies initially on the Peninsular rivers development component under which studies are required to be undertaken on 17 water transfer links. Preliminary feasibility reports on the 5 water links have already been prepared by the Agency.

[*Translation*]

Expenditure Incurred on Narmada Sagar Project

2255. PROF. MAHADEO SHIWANKAR: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) the total expenditure incurred on the Narmada Sagar Project upto 1 July, 1990;

(b) the amount likely to be incurred on this project and the time by which this project is likely to be completed;

(c) the time by which it was to be completed originally and the cost escalation resulting from this delay; and

(d) the total amount of foreign aid received so far and likely to be received in future for the implementation of this project and rehabilitation of the displaced persons?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI MANUBHAI KOTADIA): (a) and (b). The estimated cost of the Narmada Sagar Project is 1993.67 crores at 1988 price level. An amount of Rs. 133.97 crores has been spent on the project upto 1st July, 1990. The project is likely to be completed by 2007. However, the major components of the project viz. concrete dam, saddle dam, power-house and construction of Main Flow Canal from zero to 81.59 Kms. alongwith distribution

system are planned to be completed by 1988.

(c) The project was originally estimated to cost Rs. 920.91 crores in 1982 and was targetted to be completed by 1991-92.

(d) The project has been posed for credit assistance from World Bank. However, no agreement has been reached so far with the Bank.

[*English*]

Place for Hosiery Trade in Tamil Nadu

2256. SHRI B. RAJARAVI VARMA: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that conditions are favourable at Udumalpet adjacent to Tirupur, Tamil Nadu, to develop this area in hosiery trade;

(b) if so, whether any survey is proposed to be held in this regard; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF TEXTILES AND MINISTER OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRI SHARAD YADAV): (a) to (c). Government has no proposal specific to development of Udumalpet for hosiery trade. However, Government is aware of the importance of Tirupur as an important centre for hosiery industry and all possible efforts are being made to facilitate further development of this industry in and around Tirupur.

Export of Handicrafts

2257. SHRI D.D. KHANDRIA: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) the names of countries to which handicrafts are exported; and