

[*Translation*]**Faizabad Bye-pass on National Highway No. 28**

3622. SHRI MITRASEN YADAV: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the construction work of the Faizabad Bye-pass on National Highway No. 28 is lying incomplete;

(b) if so, the reasons for not completing the construction work of this road in time;

(c) whether Government propose to provide additional funds in view of the slow pace of the construction work resulting in traffic congestion and day to day road accidents; and

(d) if so, the time by which the work is likely to be completed?

THE MINISTER OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI K.P. UNNIKRISHNAN): (a) to (c). Construction of Faizabad Bypass has been taken up in phases. Earthwork and culverts (Phase-I) are in an advanced stage of completion. For the remaining work of

road pavement and 3 Road Over bridges (Phase-II), there is a provision of Rs. 500.00 lakhs in the Annual Programme 1990-91.

(d) It is too early to indicate time by which the bypass is likely to be completed as the work of Phase-II are yet to be sanctioned.

[*English*]**Cost of Production of Sugarcane**

3623. SHRI ANANTRAO DESHMUKH: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state the cost of production of sugarcane in various States, State-wise during 1989-90 and 1990-91?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND COOPERATION IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI NITISH KUMAR): Estimates of cost of production of agricultural crops are generated after processing the data received from field agencies located in various States. The process takes about two years. However, the latest data available on the cost of production of sugarcane in various States is given in the attached Statement.

STATEMENT*Cost of Production of Sugarcane Per Quintal in Different States**(Rs. per Qtl.)*

Sl. No.	State	Latest Year	Cost of Production
1	2	3	4
1.	Andhra Pradesh	1987-88	23.24
2.	Bihar	1983-84	13.25
3.	Haryana	1986-87	12.12

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1	2	3	4
4.	Karnataka	1986-87	11 52
5	Maharashtra	1987-88	17 13
6.	Tamil Nadu	1987-88	15 18
7	Uttar Pradesh	1986-87	12 99

[*Translation*]**S.T.D. Facility at Shahbad, Markanda**

3624 SHRI JAI PARKASH Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state

(a) whether Government propose to provide S T D facility on an immediate basis in Shahbad, Markanda,

(b) if so, the steps taken in this regard, and

(c) if not, when the said facility is likely to be provided there?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI JANESHWAR MISHRA) (a) The S T D facility at Shahabad Markanda is proposed to be provided during the current plan period

(b) An electronic exchange has been planned to replace the existing manual exchange at Shahabad during 1992-92

(c) March 1993, subject to the availability of equipment

[*English*]**Raising of Foreign Commercial Loans by Shipping Corporation of India**

3625 SHRI G S BASAVARAJ Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state

(a) whether the Shipping Corporation of India is finding it tough to raise foreign commercial loans,

(b) whether the European and Japanese banks are asking higher interest rates and shorter period of repayment,

(c) if so whether Government have taken up this matter with these countries and

(d) if so, the outcome thereof?

THE MINISTER OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI K P UNNIKRISHNAN) (a) to

(c) The Shipping Corporation of India has not negotiated for any foreign commercial loans since December, 1988 Hence the question of whether the Corporation is finding it difficult to raise commercial loans does not arise