

Limited (H.L.L.) are marketed by H.L.L. under its own brand names the New Moods and Rakshak. The condoms are smeared with a special lubricant that has the property of killing sperms thus preventing pregnancy. Also condoms offer effective protection against sexually transmitted diseases.

(c) No.

(d) Does not arise.

(e) and (f). H.L.L. are setting up a plant for the manufacture of Latex gloves with a Capital outlay of 192 lakhs without any foreign collaboration arrangement. In regard to disposable self destructive syringes, the proposal is still under consideration.

#### **Inter-State Water Disputes**

3369. PROF. K.V.THOMAS: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased state:

(a) the number of Inter-State water disputes pending settlement; and

(b) the steps being taken for their early settlement?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI MANUBHAI KOTADIA): (a) Two.

(b) Tamil Nadu Government's request under Inter-State Water Disputes Act, 1956 regarding Cauvery Waters is with the Centre. Inter-State meeting at Chief Ministers' level has been convened on 5.4.1990. Ravi and Beas waters Tribunal constituted on 2nd April, 1986 forwarded its report to the Central Government on 30th January, 1987. The Central Government and the States concerned have made further references to the tribunal seeking explanation and guidance on certain points in the report.

#### **Assistance for Underground Water Resources**

3370. PROF. K.V.THOMAS: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state the details of Central assistance provided to Kerala for the development of underground water resources there?

THE MINISTER STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI MANUBHAI KOTADIA): Central assistance to the States is given in the form of block grants and loans for the Annual Plans. In addition, Rs. 1001.59 lakhs was released to the Government of Kerala under various Centrally Sponsored Schemes related to ground water development as per the details given in the statement below: