

nels have been completed for irrigating about 7,15,000 acres during *kharif*. This figure may, therefore, be taken as the present *kharif* potential. For *Rabi* water is available for irrigating about 55,000 acres.

The actual irrigation in 1963-64 according to the West Bengal Government was about 6,33,000 acres during *kharif* and 36,000 acres during *Rabi*. The lag in creation of *Kharif* potential envisaged is mainly due to the non-execution of certain extension and improvement works and water-courses for which the DVC was responsible, and the field channels which are the responsibility of the Government of West Bengal. The delay in the completion of the works to be done by the D.V.C. as stated above has been partly due to the uncretainty created by the proposal for transfer of the barrage and irrigation canals to the Government of West Bengal.

The shortfall in *Rabi* irrigation has been due mainly to the non-development of *Rabi* cultivation in the area.

With the recent permanent transfer of the barrage and irrigation canals to the Government of West Bengal on an agency basis, it is hoped that it will be possible to remove the present obstacles to the creation and utilisation of the full irrigation potential.

Steel Plants

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 Shri P. K. Deo:
 Shri Rameshwar Tantia:
 Shri Onkar Lal Berwa:
 Shri Dhaon:
 Shri Mohsin:
 Shri P. Venkatasubbaiah:
 Shri D. D. Mantri:
 Shri M. Rampure:
 Shri R. Barua:
 Shri Bishanchander Seth:
 Shri Hukam Chand
 Kachhavaia:
 Shri D. C. Sharma:

Will the Minister of Steel, Mines and Heavy Engineering be pleased to refer to the reply given to Starred

Question No. 95 on the 14th February, 1964 and state the latest position regarding the setting up of steel plants in Goa-Hospet and Bailadilla-Vishakhapatnam regions?

The Minister of Steel, Mines and Heavy Engineering (Shri C. Subramaniam): The feasibility reports on setting up of steel plants in the Goa-Hospet and Bailadilla-Vishakhapatnam regions have been received. A Technical Committee has been appointed to study these reports and recommend sites in the order of their economic viability. The Committee is expected to report by the end of June, 1964.

Public Undertakings

*45. **Shri Harish Chandra Mathur:** Will the Minister of Industry be pleased to state:

(a) whether note has been taken of the fact that there is abnormal over-staffing and great wastage in luxuries and non-essentials in public undertakings; and

(b) the total quantum of economy that could be expected?

The Minister of Industry (Shri Kanungo): (a) and (b): The Estimates Committee in their 52nd and 50th Reports (Third Lok Sabha) relating to Personnel Policies of Public Undertakings have referred to these aspects and made various recommendations and suggestions. These are under examination in the different Ministries concerned. It is not possible at this stage to give an estimate of any economy that may be possible.

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 श्रीमती सावित्री निगम :
 श्री दाजी :
 श्री प्र० के० देव :
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 श्री यमुना प्रसाद मंडल :
 श्री न० प्र० यादव :