

Central Control over Power Generation

- *14. { Shri Hem Barua:
Shrimati Renuka Barkatak:
Shri Bishwanath Roy:
Shri Samnani:
Shri Brajeshwar Prasad:
Shri Rameshwar Tantia:

Will the Minister of **Irrigation and Power** be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have suggested Central Control of the generation of power throughout the country;

(b) if so, whether it is also a fact that the States are generally opposed to this suggestion; and

(c) if so, the reasons therefor?

The Minister of Irrigation and Power (Dr. K. L. Rao): (a) to (c). A statement is laid on the Table of the House. [*Placed in Library. See No. LT-3780/65*].

Visit by British Minister of Overseas Development

- *15. { Shri Vishram Prasad:
Shri Yashpal Singh:
Shri S. M. Banerjee:
Maharajkumar Vijaya Ananda:
Shri P. C. Borooah:
Shri Subodh Hansda:
Shri S. C. Samanta:
Shri Mohan Swarup:
Shri D. N. Tiwary:
Shri Rameshwar Tantia:
Shri Bhagwat Jha Azad:
Shri Sham Lal Saraf:
Dr. Ranen Sen:
Shri Dinen Bhattacharya.
Shrimati Maimoona Sultan:

Will the Minister of **Finance** be pleased to state:

(a) Whether Mrs. Barbara Castle, British Minister of Overseas Development, has recently visited India;

(b) if so, the nature of talks which took place between Government and the visiting Minister; and

(c) the details of further assistance expected in our development programmes?

The Minister of Planning (Shri B. R. Bhagat): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c). The discussions were of a general nature on Indian economic development as a whole. No specific proposal for aid was discussed since the U.K., as Member of the Consortium, would consider specific assistance only after the discussions to be held under the auspices of the Consortium at Paris on March 16th & 17th.

Development of Narmada Valley

- *16. { Shri Vidya Charan Shukla:
Shri R. G. Dubey:
Shrimati Savitri Nigam:
Shri Vishwa Nath Pandey:
Shri Bibhuti Mishra:
Shri K. N. Tiwary:
Shri Sham Lal Saraf:
Shri D. J. Naik:
Shri R. S. Pandey:
Shri P. K. Deo:
Shri Kapur Singh:
Shri P. K. Ghosh:
Shri P. L. Barupal:
Shri Sidheshwar Prasad:
Shri Himatsingka:
Shri Narendra Singh Mahida:
Shri R. Barua:
Shri L. N. Bhanja Deo:
Shri Rameshwar Tantia:

Will the Minister of **Irrigation and Power** be pleased to state:

(a) the progress made regarding the development of Narmada Valley basin for the utilisation of its waters between Madhya Pradesh and Gujarat; and

(b) the efforts made to expedite the commencement of the projects connected therewith?

The Minister of Irrigation and Power (Dr. K. L. Rao): (a) and (b). The Government of India appointed a Committee under the Chairmanship of Dr. A. N. Khosla, Governor