

**The Minister of Finance (Shri Sachindra Chaudhuri):** (a) and (b). The World Bank and its affiliate the International Development Association have under continuous review the needs of developing countries and the responses that they should themselves make in meeting these requirements. As a result of such constant review, material improvements have taken place over the last five years in the terms of financing. To quote examples, the need for non-project financing in increasing measures and the need to meet portion of the total costs (rather than only the foreign exchange cost) of a project have been recognised. In loans to institutional borrowers like the ICICI, they have lessened the extent to which prior references to the Bank are to be made before subloans can be granted. Apart from this, in order to make available more funds for long term development lending through the I.D.A., the World Bank with the authority of the Board of Governors has assigned to the I.D.A. from its surpluses \$ 50 million during 1963-64 and \$ 75 million during 1964-65.

#### Kangsabati Project

- \*252. **Shri Bibhuti Mishra:**  
**Shri K. N. Tiwary:**  
**Shri Subodh Hansda:**  
**Shri S. C. Samanta:**  
**Shri Bhagwat Jha Azad:**  
**Shri M. L. Dwivedi:**  
**Dr. Ranen Sen:**

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

(a) whether it is a fact that in Kangsabati Project in West Bengal which has been approved by the Centre, the progress of work is slow for want of funds; and

(b) if so, the reasons for not giving sufficient funds to accelerate the pace of work?

**The Minister of Irrigation and Power (Shri Fakhruddin Ahmed):** (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The State Government has asked for additional funds outside the State Plan ceiling. This is being considered.

#### Development of Assam Hill Districts

- \*253. **Shri Warrior:**  
**Shri Prakash Vir Shastri:**  
**Shri Hukam Chand Kachhavaia:**  
**Shri Raghunath Singh:**  
**Shri Bagri:**  
**Dr. Ram Manohar Lohia:**  
**Shri Kishen Pattanayak:**  
**Shri Ram Sewak Yadav:**  
**Shri Madhu Limaye:**  
**Shri P. C. Borooah:**  
**Shrimati Renuka Barkataki:**  
**Shri Basumatari:**

Will the Minister of Planning and Social Welfare be pleased to state:

(a) whether the joint Centre-State Study Team on the development of Assam Hill Districts including the Mizo Hill Districts has completed its work and submitted its proposals to Government;

(b) if so, the main features thereof; and

(c) the decision taken by Government thereon?

**The Minister of Planning and Social Welfare (Shri Asoka Mehta):** (a) Yes.

(b) A statement is laid on the Table of the House. [Placed in Library See No. LT-6658/66].

(c) The proposals of the Study Team are under consideration and it is hoped to take an early decision on them.

#### कोसी नहर विजली घर

\*254. **श्री लहटन चौधरी :** क्या सिंचाई और विद्युत् मंत्री 12 मई, 1966 के तारांकित प्रश्न संख्या 1634 के उत्तर के सम्बन्ध में यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) कोसि नहर विजली घर कब चालू हो जायेगा और इसको शीघ्र पूरा