

**Gandak Project**

\*264. **Shri Bibhuti Mishra:** Will the Minister of Irrigation and Power be pleased to state the progress of the Gandak Project till the 31st October, 1961?

**The Deputy Minister of Irrigation and Power (Shri Hathi):** A statement is laid on the Table of the House. [See Appendix I, annexure No. 52].

**श्री विभूति मिश्र :** मैं मन्त्री महोदय से यह जानना चाहता हूँ कि गंडक बैराज प्रोजेक्ट के निर्माण की कोई एक निश्चित डेट बनी है कि नहीं ? किसानों को कब तक पानी दिया जायगा इसकी कोई टारगेट डेट रक्खी है कि नहीं ?

**श्री हाथी :** गंडक बैराज प्रोजेक्ट का कंस्ट्रक्शन प्रोग्राम ८ साल का था ।

**श्री विभूति मिश्र :** क्या सरकार के पास यह खबर आई है कि दोन कॅनल के पास के रहने वाले लोग जो कि घांगड़, और थारू हैं वह चाहते हैं कि बैराज की ऊंचाई एक दो फिट बढ़ जाय ताकि उनकी जमीनों की सिंचाई ठीक से हो सके ?

**श्री हाथी :** ऐसी कोई खबर नहीं आई है ।

**श्री विभूति मिश्र :** मैं जानना चाहता हूँ कि क्या सरकार इसके लिये सोचेगी कि बैराज की हाइट एक, दो फिट बढ़ा दी जाय ताकि उन गरीबों का भी फायदा हो सके ?

**Mr. Deputy-Speaker:** That is a suggestion for action.

**Shri K. N. Pande:** May I know whether due to a change in the course of this river Gandak, a large area in the Gorakhpur district was affected by the recent floods and a great ruin was caused there and if so, is the Government taking any action to take a bund at the place where this canal is starting?

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**Shri Hathi:** That is with regard to another river perhaps which is not actually a part of this project. But, it is expected that because of this barrage and the embankment this area may be saved. I will have to require notice as to what that particular scheme is.

**Shri Jhulan Sinha:** May I know whether the attention of the Government has been drawn to a press report that there has been some trouble regarding the agreement with Nepal on this problem because of change of complexion of the Government there?

**Shri Hathi:** I do not think so.

**Bogie Derailment near Broach**

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\*268. { **Shrimati Maftida Ahmed:**  
**Shri D. C. Sharma:**  
**Shri M. B. Thakore:**  
**Shri P. G. Deb:**

Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that two passengers were killed and nine others injured when one third class bogie of 16-Up Saurashtra Mail derailed near Broach on the Western Railway on the 4th October, 1961;

(b) if so, the circumstances leading to the accident;

(c) whether any inquiry has been held into the matter; and

(d) if so, the findings thereof?

**The Deputy Minister of Railways (Shri S. V. Ramaswamy):** (a) Two persons were killed and 8 injured.

(b) to (d). The case has been enquired into by the Additional Commissioner of Railway Safety and the cause of the accident is still under investigation.

**Shri S. M. Banerjee:** I am only requesting whether Question No. 284 about the Compensation to the family of the late Shri K. Rama Rao could be taken after this.