function as a Staff College for Public Health Administration. Administrative and educational problems in the implementation of health, and Health education and family planning programmes will be the primary interest of the proposed Institute.

Narmada Project Scheme

319. Shri Oza: Will the Minister of **Irrigation and Power** be pleased to state the progress made in implementing Narmada Project Scheme?

The Minister of Irrigation and Power (Dr. K. L. Rao): The project, the first stage of which is also known as the Broach Project, is in the initial stage of construction and only the preliminary works like colony buildings, approach road, etc., have been taken in hand and are in progress.

X-Ray Programme for T.B. Control

320. Shri Vishwa Nath Pandey: Will the Minister of Health be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government is considering to launch a mass X-ray programme for control of tuberculosis in the country;

(b) if so, when it will be enforced; and

(c) the total cost involved?

The Minister of Health (Dr. Sushila Nayar): (a) No. But mass X-ray examination is being conducted at several clinics equipped for the purpose.

(b) and (c). Does not arise.

ब्यास परियोजना

३२**१. थो विद्वनाथ पांडेय**ः क्या सि**चाई ग्रीर विद्युत** मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) ब्धास परियोजना कब पूरी होगी ;

(खा) क्या ब्यास नियंत्रण बोर्ड ने परियोजनाको समय पर पूरा करने के लिए श्रौर राशि स्रावंटित करने की सिफारिश की है ; ग्रौर

(ग) यदि हां, तो क्या सरकार का ब्यास नियंत्रण बोर्ड को प्रधिक राशि देने का विचार है ?

सिंबाई मौर विखुत मंत्री (डा॰ कु॰ ल॰ राव): (क) यदि पर्याप्तधन उपलब्ध हो, परियोजना पांच छः वर्षों में पूर्णकी जा सकती है।

(ख) जी, हां।

(ग) इस समय, तृतीय पंच वर्षीय योजना में ब्यास परियोजना के लिए ग्रति-रिक्त धन देने का कोई विचार नहीं है।

Family Planning

322. { Shri Balkrishna Wasnik: Shri Vishwa Nath Pandey:

Will the Minister of Health be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are making any effort to develop oral contraceptives for family planning; and

(b) if so, the progress made so far?

The Minister of Health (Dr. Sushila Nayar): (a) Yes.

(b) An appreciable number of indigenous drugs have been tested. Only one drug (meta xylo-hydroquinone) so far seems to be effective in about 50 per cent cases. The acceptability of this drug is reported to be unsatisfactory.

Drug Prices

323. Shri Kappen: Will the Minister of Health be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have taken any steps to regulate the ex-factory price of drugs; and

(b) whether any Committee has been appointed to study and report on this matter?

The Minister of Health (Dr. Sushila Nayar): (a) No.