

Central Electricity Authority and the central Water Commission are examining this report. The question of implementation of the project in the central sector would be considered after the techno-economic feasibility of the scheme is established.

#### **Restructuring of N. H. P. C.**

\*687. SHRI HARISH RAWAT : Will the Minister of IRRIGATION AND POWER be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government are considering to wind-up the Central Water Commission in order to restructure and to strengthen the National Hydro-electric Power Corporation ; and

(b) if so, the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF IRRIGATION AND POWER (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

#### **Working of Badarpur Power Plant**

\*688 SHRI RADHAKANTA DIGAL : Will the Minister of IRRIGATION AND POWER be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the Badarpur Power Station is not working at its optimum capacity ;

(b) the reason why this thermal power station is not generating electricity at its optimum level ; and

(c) the steps taken by Government to set right the defects and the time by which this plant is expected to produce electricity at its optimum level ?

THE MINISTER OF IRRIGATION AND POWER (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND) : (a) to (b) : The generation at Badarpur Thermal Power Station has not been satisfactory due to (i) deficiencies in the equipment, (ii) inadequate coal handling facilities and inferior quality of coal, (iii) hydrogen leakages, and (iv) personnel problems.

In order to improve the performance of Badarpur Thermal Power Station, additional coal handling facilities are being provided. To prevent hydrogen leakage, a new stator has been installed. The plant is being renovated and modernised at a cost of Rs. 28.71 crores. With the implementation of these measures which will take 2-3 years the performance of the plant is expected to improve considerably.

#### **Conversion of Neyveli Thermal Plant into a Super Thermal plant**

4899. SHRI B. V. DESAI : Will the Minister of IRRIGATION AND POWER be pleased to state :

(a) whether the State Government of Karnataka has favoured conversion of the Neyveli Thermal Plant into a Super Thermal Plant so that both Karnataka and Tamil Nadu share power instead of establishing a nuclear Plant in Karnataka ;

(b) if so, whether the report has been submitted to Union Government in this regard ;

(c) whether the report for conversion of the Neyveli Thermal Plant into a Super Thermal Plant has been received and examined by the Centre ; and

(d) if so, the reaction of Union Government ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF POWER (SHRI ARUN NEHRU) : (a) to (b) : No report has been received from the State Government of Karnataka suggesting conversion of the Neyveli thermal station into a super thermal station. The second mine cut Neyveli thermal station has been envisaged as a regional power station for the benefit of all the states in the Southern region.

#### **Installation of Cornish Boiler**

4900. SHRI M. MAHALINGAM : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the Cornish Boiler kept idle for almost 2 decades has been installed at last successfully and started functioning and if so, when;

(b) what are the details of new items proposed to be manufactured based on the recommendations of "Expert Committee"

(c) what further machineries has been proposed to acquire to increase the manufacturing capacities of Tablets, liquid oral preparations sections ;

(d) whether due to increased demands to manufactured items of this depot Government propose to increase the machinery and staff strength ; and

(e) if so, the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SHRI YOGENDRA MAKWANA : (a) The Cornish Boiler started functioning successfully with effect from 7th January, 1985.

(b) Based on the recommendations of Expert Committee the following items are being considered for manufacture :—

1. TABLETS : Analgin, Paracetamol, Isoniazid, Dapsone, Sulpha Drugs, Calcium Gluconate, Diethyl Carbamazine, Aluminium Hydroxide.
2. LIQUIDS : Paracetamol Syrup, Vitamin B Complex Syrup, Benedryl type expectorant.
3. Preparation for external use like Benzyl Benzoate application.

(c) The following machinery is proposed to be acquired to increase manufacturing capacity :—

1. Cadmach Double Rotary Tablet Machine.
2. Cadmach Colloid Mill.

(d) and (e) The augmentation of staff strength depends on the quantum of increase in the workload.

#### Shortage in Supply of water in Kharagpur Railway Town

4901. SHRI BHOLA NATH SEN : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether there is any wide gap between the demand and availability of water in the Kharagpur Railway Town in West Bengal ;

(b) if so, the details of the average daily demand and availability of water at Kharagpur particularly during the peak summer season ;

(c) since when the shortage is continuing ;

(d) the short term and long term measures contemplated by the Railways to solve the water supply problem of Kharagpur ; and

(e) the details and the present Position of the proposal to lift water from Subarnarekha river and to make the same available to the people residing in Kharagpur and its suburban areas ?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI BANSI LAL) : (a) and (b) Sir, the daily requirement of water for Kharagpur Railway Complex is of the order of 65 to 70 lakh gallons against which the present average daily supply is about 45 lakhs gallons.

(c) Shortage started since 1970.

(d) The Railway have been making continuous efforts to augment the water supply by sinking additional tube-wells and open wells. At present work is in progress for provision of 5 tube-wells and 3 open wells. These when completed will provide additional supply of about 20 lakhs gallons of water per day. A new scheme costing about Rs. 53.00 lakhs, which envisages provision of 2 open wells and 4 tube-wells including overhead storage tanks and pipe lines and is expected to provide about 15 lakhs gallons of water per day, has also been included in the budget for current financial year.

(e) Possibility of a water supply scheme based on drawal of water from Subarnarekha river (36 Kms. away) is presently under examination by the South Eastern Railway. Details have not yet been worked out.