

**Setting up of Joint Hydel Projects by Punjab and Haryana**

6863. DR. G. VIJAYA RAMA RAO : Will the Minister of IRRIGATION AND POWER be pleased to state :

(a) whether there is any proposal for setting up Joint Hydel Projects between Punjab and Haryana; and

(b) if so, the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF POWER (SHRI ARUN NEHRU) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

**Volume of Traffic at Calcutta Port**

6864. SHRIMATI INDUMATI BHATT-ACHARYYA : Will the Minister of SHIPPING AND TRANSPORT be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that during 1982-83 to 1984-85, though the volume of annual traffic handled at Calcutta Port has increased only marginally the average waiting time and actual turn round time of ships has increased at a much higher rate;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the variation in the average waiting period, actual turn round time and volume of traffic handled at Calcutta Port during the above period as compared to other major ports;

(d) the reasons for increase at higher rate in the average waiting time and actual turn round time of ships at Calcutta Port during the above period;

(e) the steps taken or proposed to accelerate the loading and unloading activities at Calcutta Port; and

(f) the progress made in the matter ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING AND TRANSPORT (SHRI Z. R. ANSARI) : (a) and (b). No. The volume of annual traffic handled at Calcutta, including Haldia Dock Complex,

has declined during 1983-84 and 1984-85 as compared to 1982-83 as given below :

Year	Total traffic handled (in million tonnes)
1982-83	10-69
1983-84	10-47
1984-85	10-34

The average pre-berthing detention to vessels, both at Calcutta and Haldia, has registered a decline as against the increase in turn round time of vessels at Calcutta. The details are as under :

*(Average pre-berthing detention (in days))*

Year	Calcutta	Haldia
1982-83	1.3	2.6
1983-84	1.2	2.5
1984-85	0.8	1.9

*(Average turn-round time (in days))*

1982-83	13.8	7.0
1983-84	14.5	7.4
1984-85	15.2	6.1

(c) The inter-port comparison of waiting time, turn round time of vessels and volume of traffic handled is not possible as these factors are dependent on size of the vessels, type of cargo handled, mechanical facilities for handling such cargo, capacity of ports etc.

(d) The pre-berthing detention of vessels at Calcutta Port, including Haldia, during the last three years has shown a gradual decline. Regarding turn round time of vessels, there was a marginal increase at Calcutta in 1983-84 and 1984-85 as compared to 1982-83 largely due to increase in the idle time of vessels. Idling was mostly at the vessels option; the main reason being non-availability of ready export cargo. Other factors affecting the turn round time were disputed between owners and charterers or owners and crew, slow clearance of cargo leading to congestion in sheds etc.

At Haldia, the main impediment to better turn round time of vessels and lower pre-berthing detention is shortage of berths to cater to the need of present traffic of fertilizers, cooking coal, general cargo etc.

(e) and (f). The steps taken to accelerate loading/unloading activities at Calcutta and Haldia are as under :

**Calcutta :**

1. 8 new Wharf and Yard cranes are being installed.
2. Old mobile cargo handling equipment has been replaced in the Sixth Plan.
3. Acquisition of additional cargo handling equipment has been proposed in Seventh Plan.

**Haldia :**

1. Modification of mechanical coal handling plant and conversion of mechanical ore handling plant for coal handling are in progress.
2. Schemes for construction of general cargo berth and a second oil jetty have been included in the Seventh Plan.
3. Heavy duty locomotives for handling export coal are being procured.

**Staff Strength in the Directorate of National Institute of Communicable Diseases, Delhi**

6865. SHRI ANANDA PATHAK ; Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state the total sanctioned strength of Upper Division Clerks and Upper Division Clerks-cum-Computers in the Directorate of National Institute of Communicable Diseases, Delhi as on the 1st April, 1976 ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH (SHRI YOGENDRA MAKWANA : The requisite information is as under :

Upper Division Clerks	19
Upper Division Clerks-cum-Computers	7

**[Translation]**

**New Colleges in Educationally Backward Areas by U.G.C.**

6866. DR. CHANDRA SHEKHAR TRIPATHI : Will the Minister of EDUCA-

TION be pleased to state :

(a) whether there is a provision that University Grants Commission, can in special circumstances open new colleges in educationally backward areas for higher education;

(b) the number of colleges opened by University Grants Commission in educationally backward areas during the years 1983-84 and 1984-85 and the locations thereof and their position at present;

(c) whether Commission will consider opening of a college in educationally backward Basti District in Uttar Pradesh; and

(d) if so, by what time and if not, the reasons therefore ?

THE MINISTER OF EDUCATION (SHRI K. C. PANT) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) Does not arise. The UGC Act does not empower the Commission to establish universities and colleges in the country.

**[English]**

**Submergence of Land due to Bansagar Project**

6867. SHRI AZIZ QURESHI : Will the Minister of IRRIGATION AND POWER be pleased to state :

(a) what was the total number of persons whose land has been acquired for the construction of Bansagar Irrigation Project in district Satna of Madhya Pradesh;

(b) what is the total amount of money given by the Union Ministry of Irrigation for compensation and rehabilitation of these persons whose lands are going to be submerged;

(c) is there any special consideration to rehabilitate these uprooted persons at the earliest; and

(d) what is the probable date of completion of this project which is approved and financed by the Ministry of Irrigation ?