

have urged the Union Government for loan assistance for anti-sea erosion works during the last three years;

(b) the name of States which have been granted loan assistance in this regard together with amount separately during the same period;

(c) what are the details of work done by each Coastal State in this regard; and

(d) what other measures are being contemplated by the Union Government ?

THE MINISTER OF IRRIGATION AND POWER (SHRI B. SHANKARAN-AND) : (a) Gujarat, Karnataka, Kerala and Tamil Nadu requested for loan assistance for anti-sea erosion works during the last three years.

(b) Kerala was granted loan assistance as below :

1982-83	Rs.	350.00	lakhs
1983-84	Rs.	350.00	lakhs
1984-85	Rs.	235.49	lakhs

(c) The work done by Kerala was as under :—

	New Sea Walls	Strengthening of old sea walls
	(Km.)	(Km.)
1982-83	13.30	5.00
1983-84	4.70	5.20
1984-85		
(Anticipated)	6.00	5.00

(d) The Government of India has constituted a Beach Erosion Board headed by Chairman, Central Water Commission, with representatives of Maritime States as Members for technical co-ordination,

Declining Trend in Testing of Samples in Biological Laboratory, Govt. Medical Store Depot, Madras

4283. **SHRI M. MAHALINGAM :** Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the Biological Laboratory functioning inside the campus of Government Medical Store Depot, Madras has been declared as an independent unit under the administrative control of Director, Bio-Lab; and

(b) whether after conferring this status, has it improved its testing capacities from the date of declaring as an independent unit ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH (SHRI YOGENDRA MAKWANA) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Yes, Sir.

U. S. Assistance for Integrated Rural Health and Population Project

4284. **SHRI AMARSINH RATHAWA :** Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether U. S. Government is extending assistance to Union Government for implementation of the Integrated Rural Health and Population project;

(b) if so, the details of assistance given during the years 1982-83, 1983-84 and 1984-85; and

(c) whether this assistance has been utilised ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH (SHRI YOGENDRA MAKWANA) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The amount of assistance received from U.S.A. during :—

1982-83	—	NIL
1983-84	—	US \$ 1.71 million — Rs. 1.83 crores.
1984-85	—	US \$ 8.23 million — Rs. 10.42 crores.

(c) Yes, Sir.