

Bureaux and the Blood Banks in the country have been alerted to keep in mind the signs and symptoms of the disease and report such cases when such suspected cases occur. With a view to arousing public awareness, especially high risk groups like homosexuals and blood donors, the State Health Education Bureaux have been requested to provide health education to those attending the STD Clinics, Blood Banks etc. Instructions have been issued to (i) Medical and Para-Medical personnel to use adequate sterile injection equipment (ii) blood and plasma organisations to provide relevant information about AIDS to intending donors to promote and encourage voluntary self-exclusion policy.

(d) A senior member of SEARO, WHO attended the first meeting of Council's Task Force on this subject held on 24th October, 1985 at Headquarters office. He expressed WHO's earnest desire to actively collaborate with Council's research strategy. Effective coordination in this respect is being maintained.

Execution of Upper Krishna Project

1577. SHRI SRIKANTHA DATTA NARASIMHARAJA WADIYAR : Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state :

- (a) the original allocation made for the execution of upper Krishna Project-Phase II in Karnataka;
- (b) whether there is a need to enhance the allocation for this project;
- (c) if so, the amount of allocation proposed to be increased for this project in the Seventh Plan;
- (d) the expected time of completion of the project; and
- (e) the progress made in the project work so far ?

THE MINISTER OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND) : (a) to (e). The Upper Krishna

Project Stage-I is being executed by Karnataka in two phases viz. Phase I & II. The revised estimate of the project in 1978 was Rs. 283.65 crores. The latest financial requirement to complete the project is about Rs. 1040 crores. It is reported that an expenditure of about Rs. 328 crores has been incurred on the project upto March, 1985 (end of VI Plan), leaving a spillover of Rs. 712 crores into the Seventh Plan. An amount of Rs. 221 crores has been proposed for the project in the VII Plan. The project work will spillover into the VIII Five Year Plan.

The Physical progress on the various component of the Phase-I works presently under execution by Karnataka is as under :—

- (i) Narayanpur Dam : Completed and commissioned in 1982.
- (ii) Almatti Dam (Sanctioned for Partial height in Stage-I) : In progress and likely to be completed by June 1986.
- (iii) Narayanpur Left Bank Canal (78 Km. long) : Completed upto 67 km. and works are in advanced stage of construction from 68-78 km and expected to be completed by June 1986.
- (iv) Shahpur Branch Canal (45 km. long) ; Works are in an advanced stage in the reach 0 to 30 km. The works in the reach 39 to 45 km. are almost completed. The balance works are expected to be completed by June 1986.

Compensation paid for Embezzlement/ Pilferage/Thefts of Goods in Transit

1578. SHRI K.D. SULTANPURI : Will the Minister of TRANSPORT be pleased to state :

- (a) the amount of compensation paid by the Railways as a result of embezzlement/pilferage/theft of goods during transit during the last one year ;