Inter-State Control Board for Joint Irrigation and Hydro-Electric Projects

1658. SHRIG.S BASAVARAJU: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Inter-state control board for joint irrigation and hydro-electirc projects of Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra and Karnataka cleared projects worth Rs. 300 crores;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, projectwise and State-wise;
- (c) the estimated cost of each project;and
- (d) the irrigation schemes to be covered by these projects?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI M.M. JACOB): (a) There is no inter-State Control Board for joint irrigation and Hydroelectric projects of Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra and Karnataka.

(b) to (d). Do not arise.

World Bank Loan for Setting up of Agro based Industries

1659. SHRIMATI BASAVARAJES-WARI: SHRI G.S. BASAVARAJU:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether discussions between the World Bank and the Industrial Development Bank of India for extending a line of credit through a few State financial corporations for setting up of agro based industries and food processing units have been completed; and

(b) if so, the outcome of the discussions?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC AFFAIRS IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI EDUARDO FALEIRO): (a) and (b). There have been some preliminary discussions with World Bank staff for a proposed Agro Industrial Project.

Non-Utilisation of Foreign Aid

1661. SHRI BRAJA MOHAN MO-HANTY: SHRI BALWANT SINGH RA-MOOWALIA:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether 2,800 crores of rupees received as foreign assistance from different countries of the world have not been spent by Government in time; and if so, the reasons therefor:
- (b) whether Government will face any difficulty for getting fresh financial assistance on account of non-spending of the assistance already received in time;
 - (c) if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the steps Government have taken for spending of foreign assistance in time as per the schedule?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC AFFAIRS IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI EDUARDO FALEIRO): (a) to (d). Most of External assistance is tied to specific project and the disbursements are therefore linked to the project implementation schedule. The