

[*Translation*]

New Sugar Mill in Bareilly

2553. SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR: Will the Minister of FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal under the consideration of Union Government to open a sugar mill in Nawabganj (Bareilly); and

(b) if so, the time by which licence is likely to be issued?

THE MINISTER OF FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (SHRI NATHU RAM MIRDHA): (a) and (b). An application for setting up a new sugar factory of 2500 TCD at Nawabganj in District Bareilly was received by the Central Government. As the proposal did not fulfil the distance criterion of the licensing policy guidelines, it was rejected.

[*English*]

Design Defect in Upperjank Irrigation Project in Orissa

2554. SHRI BALGOPAL MISHRA: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether some defect has been noticed in design of the Upperjank Irrigation Project in Kalahandi district of Orissa;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the steps taken/proposed to rectify the defect; and

(d) the present position of the said project?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI MANUBHAI KOTADIA): (a) to (c). A Discrepancy in the calculation of the capacity of the reservoir based on the area capacity curve was noticed during execution of the project. It has been decided to increase the height of the dam by about 4 meters to maintain the originally envisaged live storage capacity. The dam section has been revised accordingly.

(d) The works are in progress and an expenditure of Rs. 15.92 crores has been incurred upto February, 1990.

Expansion of Ayurvedic Medical Colleges

2555. SHRI BALGOPAL MISHRA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to expand existing Ayurvedic medical colleges especially Bolangir Ayurvedic Medical College in Orissa; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI NILAMANI ROUTRAY): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

P.D.S. for People Living below Poverty Line

2556. SHRI JANARDHANA POOJARY: Will the Minister of FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES be pleased to state:

(a) the number of people in the country who are living below poverty line; and

(b) the steps taken to cover them under the Public Distribution System?