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Diversion of Ganga Waters to Sone River

5326. SHRI TEJ NARAYAN SINGH: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Union Government propose to divert Ganga river waters to Sone river;

(b) if so, the said project is likely to be started and the place from which it is likely to be diverted to Sone river; and

(c) the area of land in acres where more crops are likely to be cultivated due to additional water in Sone river?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI MANUBHAI KOTADIA): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c). Do not arise.

News-item for "Kapade Mazdoors Ki Mangon Ke Liye Panch Niyukt"

5327. SHRI SHIV SHARAN VARMA: DR. BANGALI SINGH:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether attention of Government has been drawn to the news-item appearing in the daily "Jansatta" date 23 march, 1990 under the caption "Kapade Mazdoors Ki Mangon ke Liye panch Niyukt"; highlighting the appointment of asbitrator/conciliator for adjudicating the dispute between workmen and management of textile mills;

(b) if so, the reaction of Government thereto;

(c) whether workers have also been represented therein; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF TEXTILES AND MINISTER OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRI SHARAD YADAV): (a) to (d). The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

[*English*]

Flood Control Schemes for Areas Adjoining Nepal

5328. SHRI M.J. AKBAR: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the flood control schemes for the protection of the flood prone areas adjoining Nepal in the districts of Kishanganj and Purnea are still being implemented;

(b) whether Government are aware of the serious situation arising out of floods during the monsoons each year; and

(c) if so, the details of the plan to prevent the destruction of crops by floods?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI MANUBHAI KOTADIA): (a) to (c). Out of about 3.54 lakh ha. area annually affected by floods on average, an area of about 1.28 lakh ha. has been protected. The comprehensive plan envisages additional 550 Kms. of embankment and a reservoir on Western Kankai river in Nepal.

Indo-US Project

5329. SHRI BANWARI LAL PUROHIT: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state: