

Government thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI K.C. LENKA): (a) Sir, no such proposal has been received in the Indian Council of Agricultural Research.

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

**Tenders for Dehri-on-sone Coal Stockyard.**

1164. SHRI RAM LAKHAN SINGH YADAV: Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

(a) whether the tenders were invited for setting up of coal stockyard at Dehri-on-sone;

(b) if so, when the tenders were finalised; and

(c) the time by which the work is likely to be started there?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COAL (SHRI S.B. NYAMAGOUDA): (a) to (c). Yes, Sir. Coal India Ltd. had invited tenders for Dehri-on-sone stockyard along with stockyards on other locations. The tenders have not yet been finalised because the policy on operations of Stockyards is presently under review by the under Government.

[*Translation*]

**Western Kosi Canal Project**

1166. SHRI BHOGENDRA JHA: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the amount allocated for the construction of the branch canals of the Western Kosi Canal Project has been withdrawn;

(b) if so, the reasons there-for; and

(c) the time by which the construction of the main canal and the branch canals is

likely to be completed?

THE MINISTER OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI VIDYACHARAN SHUKLA): (a) and (b). Government of Bihar has reported that no amount has been withdrawn from the construction work on Western Kosi Canal Project. However, due to financial stringency, works have been curtailed substantially during the financial year 1991-92 as has been done for other Projects.

(c) The scheduled date of completion is June, 1995.

**Waiting List for LPG Connections**

1167. SHRI PANKAJ CHOWDHARY: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government are formulating any scheme for meeting the demand of LPG connections;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the total number of persons on the waiting list in Delhi and various parts of the country specially in Uttar Pradesh seeking LPG connections and the time by which they are likely to be given LPG connections?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND): (a) to (c). Efforts are on to provide LPG connections to as many persons and as early as possible. This will, however, be subject to product availability, pending waiting lists with the distributors and annual programme for enrolment of customers.

**L.P.G. Connections in Rural Areas of U.P.**

1168. SHRI BHAGWAN SHANKAR RAWAT: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have formulated any scheme to provide LPG