

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI MANUBHAI KOTADIA): (a) Orissa is a flood prone State. The coastal erosion problems are confined to a few reaches.

(b) and (c). Orissa Government has already set up a Flood Control Board for the State. This Board lays down policies and coordinates the Flood Management works. The Board also approves the schemes for implementation and monitors maintenance of flood management works.

(d) Besides river embankment, drainage channel, town protection works and raising of villages, the State Government has constructed Hirakud, Salandi and Rengali Dams to control floods.

[*Translation*]

#### **Closure of Art Silk Industry**

403. SHRI KASHIRAM RANA: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the art silk industry is on the verge of closure;

(b) if so, the reasons therefore; and

(c) the steps taken by Government to improve the position?

THE MINISTER OF TEXTILES AND MINISTER OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRI SHARAD YADAV): (a) No, Sir.

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

[*English*]

#### **Projects Monitored by National Water Management Project**

404. SHRI SRIKANTA DATTA NARA-

SIMHARAJA WADIYAR: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) the main objectives of the National Water Management Project;

(b) the details of the projects implemented by National Water Management Project in various States;

(c) whether any project is being implemented in Karnataka;

(d) if so, the projects for which schemes summary was sent by the State Government to the Water Management Cell for clearance;

(e) the number of schemes which have obtained Central Clearance so far; and

(f) the financial provision made for executing those schemes so far?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI MANUBHAI KOTADIA): (a) and (b). The main objectives of NWMP is to provide a more reliable and predictable irrigation service in existing project to increase agriculture production. 14 numbers of projects are under implementation in three States, namely, Andhra Pradesh, Karnataka and Tamil Nadu.

(c) to (f). Scheme summaries of 15 projects have so far been received from Karnataka of which 13 schemes summaries have been cleared by Water Management Cell. 6 numbers of detailed reports were received and cleared at the Central level. Financial provision made by Karnataka upto 1989-90 is Rs. 1247.00 lakhs.

#### **Rise in Price of Sugar**

405. SHRIMATI GEETA MUKHERJEE: Will the Minister of FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES be pleased to state: