

(a) whether attention of the Government has been drawn to the news item captioned "NDDDB manipulates MIQ to subsidise Dhara" appearing in the Economic Times dated February 8, 1993:

(b) if so, whether National Dairy Development Board has used Government funds under its Market Intervention Operation to subsidise its own brand 'Dhara';

(c) if so, the reaction of the Government thereof; and

(d) the action taken or proposed to be taken by the Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI S. KRISHNA KUMAR): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c). Marketing of edible oil in small packs, for which the name Bharat was chosen by the National Dairy Development Board, the Market Intervention Agency, has been as integral part of Market Intervention Operation (MIO). Therefore, the MIO accounts include the "Dhara" operation.

(d) Government are examining the accounts of NDDDB to assess the Government's liability for reimbursement of losses under MIO. Government are also considering ways and means to contain losses in future MIO.

[Translation]

### Railway Bridge in Karnataka

1989. SHRI A. VENKATESH NAIK: Will the Minister of RAILWAY be pleased to state:

(a) the criteria adopted for granting approval for the construction of over bridges by the Railways;

(b) the number of railway over bridges constructed in Karnataka during the last three years;

(c) whether the Government propose to construct some more over bridges in Karnataka during 1992-93 in order to facilitate the traffic system in the State;

(d) if so, the details thereof ; and

(e) the places whether the said over bridges are proposed to be constructed and the cost likely to be incurred thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI K.C. LENKA) (a) Railways approve the construction of road over/under bridges in replacement of level crossings, for which proposals are sponsored by the concerned State Governments, agreeing to sharing of cost for such works as per rules.

(b) Nil.

(c) to (e). The details of road over bridges under construction are as under:

Details	Cost
Road over bridge at	Railway's share
Bangalore East - Bayappanahalli	Rs. 80.00 lakhs
Thanasandra	Rs. 150.00 lakhs
White field	Rs. 111.00 lakhs