

**Unsatisfactory Construction Pace of
Takari Project in Maharashtra**

747. SHRI PRAKASH V. PATIL :
Will the Minister of WATER
RESOURCES be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government are aware that the pace of construction of the Takari Project in Maharashtra which is a medium project and very vital for the area is utterly unsatisfactory ;

(b) if so, what are the factors responsible therefor ;

(c) what is the Central assistance sought/given ; and

(d) the steps being taken to accelerate the pace of work and by what time this will be completed ?

THE MINISTER OF WATER
RESOURCES (SHRI B. SHANKARA
NAND) : (a) to (d). Information is being
collected from the Maharashtra Govern-
ment.

**Paucity of Life Saving Drugs in All
India Institute of Medical Sciences**

748. SHRI PRAKASH V. PATIL :
SHRI MANVENDRA SINGH :

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND
FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the news item appearing in Hindustan Times dated 15 October, 1985 about the paucity of life saving drugs in All India Institute of Medical Sciences, New Delhi ;

(b) what is the position of the supply of vital drugs in other Central Government hospitals in Delhi ;

(c) whether such shortages have become rather frequent causing great hardship to patients ; and

(d) whether Government would conduct an indepth enquiry to ensure that medicines in the All India Institute of Medical Sciences are properly stored and such shortages do not crop up frequently ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE
DEPARTMENT OF FAMILY
WELFARE (SHRI S. KRISHNA KUMAR):
(a) The All India Institute of Medical

Sciences have reported that there is no paucity of life saving drugs as listed in the Institute's drug list. There was, however, a temporary shortage of a few drugs during the month of October 1985, but this was made good by effecting purchases from the open market.

(b) All the vital drugs are available in the other Central Government hospitals in Delhi.

(c) and (d) Do not arise.

U.P. Districts Hit by Encephalitis

749. SHRI PRAKASH V. PATIL :
SHRIMATI KISHORI SINHA :

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND
FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that at least 3 districts of U.P. are hit by encephalitis in a big way ;

(b) whether other areas in the country are also affected ;

(c) if so, what steps have been taken to arrest the spread of this fatal disease ;

(d) whether to combat with this disease India has to import medicines from Japan/ other countries and whether the country is self-sufficient to treat it ; and

(e) the number of deaths that took place due to encephalities during the last one year ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE
DEPARTMENT AND FAMILY
WELFARE (SHRI S. KRISHNA KUMAR):
(a) and (b) According to available infor-
mation there has been an increase in the
incidence of Encephalitis cases in certain
parts of Uttar Pradesh and West Bengal.

(c) A team from National Institute of Communicable Diseases, Delhi and All India Institute of Hygiene and Public Health, Calcutta were deputed to Uttar Pradesh and West Bengal respectively to render the necessary advice and assistance to the State Governments. Both the State Governments have taken the necessary containment measures including insecticides spraying, health education, publicity and treatment of patients. It

appears that the incidence pattern is currently on the decline.

(d) Generally symptomatic treatment is required to be given to Japanese Encephalitis patients. India is self-sufficient and is not importing drugs from Japan or any other country. However, at present vaccine against Japanese encephalitis is imported from Japan as and when required for use for population at risk.

(e) There have been 1390 deaths (prov.) due to Japanese Encephalitis during 1984.

Master Plan Prepared by U.P. Government for Control of Flood

750. SHRI ZAINUL BASHER : Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government of Uttar Pradesh have prepared a comprehensive master plan for the control of floods and have forwarded it to the Ministry for approval and Financial assistance ;

(b) if so, the total expenditure on the plan and assistance sought from the Central Government ; and

(c) reaction of Government thereto ?

THE MINISTER OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND) : (a) No such comprehensive master plan for the control of floods have been forwarded by the Government of Uttar Pradesh to the Ministry for approval and financial assistance.

(b) and (c) Question does not arise.

Work on Sutlej-Yamuna Link Canal

751. SHRI DHARAM PAL SINGH MALIK :

SHRI KALI PRASAD PANDEY :

SHRI SUBHASH YADAV :

SHRI VISHNU MODI :

SHRI V. TULSIRAM :

SHRI KAMLA PRASAD SINGH :

Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state :

(a) whether Sutlej-Yamuna Link Canal construction work is going on as per scheduled programme ;

(b) whether this project is starved of funds ;

(c) whether Government propose to release more funds for the completion of this project and if so, the details thereof ; and

(d) the time by which this project is likely to be completed ?

THE MINISTER OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND):

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) In the meeting held in this Ministry on 4th October, 1985, it was agreed that to meet the immediate requirement of funds for the project, an amount of Rs. 30 crores, Rs. 10 crores and Rs. 4 crores would be released by the Government of India, Government of Haryana and Government of Punjab respectively. The Central Government and the Government of Haryana have already released the money and the Government of Punjab is likely to release the amount shortly.

(d) The Project is likely to be completed by 15th August, 1986.

Work on Telugu-Ganga Project

752. SHRI DHARAM PAL SINGH MALIK :

SHRI SUBHASH YADAV :

Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Telugu Ganga Project in Andhra Pradesh has been going on as per schedule ;

(b) if so, money so far spent on this project ; and

(c) the time by which this project is likely to be completed ?

THE MINISTER OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND):

(a) to (c). According to the information received from the State Government they have been incurring expenditure on the Telugu Project from 1983-84 and they have spent Rs. 62.58 crores till 15th July, 1985. Since the Project has not been approved by the Planning Commission, the question of the time by which the Project will be completed does not arise.