

Financial Assistance to Andhra Pradesh For Singur Project

4575. SHRI C. JANGA REDDY : Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government propose to give financial assistance to the Andhra Pradesh Government for early completion of Singur Project to fulfil the water problem of Hyderabad ; and

(b) if not, the reasons thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEVELOPMENT (SHRI DALBIR SINGH) : (a) The Manjira Water Supply Scheme Phase-III (Singur Project) intended to augment the availability of drinking water in Hyderabad and Secunderabad urban area by about 270 mld at an estimated cost of about Rs. 106.80 crores is proposed to be posed to the World Bank for financial assistance. The project has been technically cleared by the CPHEEO. The State Government has to confirm full budget/plan provision for the project and sort out certain other issues. If the project is accepted by the World Bank for financing, after appraisal, financial assistance will be available to the extent of about 50% of the project cost. 70% of the World Bank assistance is generally passed to the State Government as additionality to plan funds.

(b) Does not arise.

Paradip Phosphates Limited, Orissa

4576. SHRIMATI JAYANTI PATNAIK: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have explored the possibility of exploiting the by-products of Paradip Phosphates Limited in Orissa;

(b) if so, the steps taken in this regard; and

(c) in how many phases and the time by which the plants of Paradip Phosphates Limited will be commissioned ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF FERTILIZERS (SHRI K. NATWAR SINGH) : (a) and (b) .

There is no by-product from M/s. Paradip Phosphates Ltd. (PPL) in Phase-I i.e. manufacture of DAP with imported Ammonia and Phosphoric Acid. But on completion of Phase-II i.e. manufacture of Sulphuric Acid and Phosphoric Acid at Paradip Phosphates Ltd. by-products Phospho-Gypsum and Flourine will be available for exploitation. Phospho-Gypsum has little commercial use. However, it will be stored and possibility of its use will be explored. Use of Flourine is under consideration of the company.

(c) Paradip Phosphates Ltd. will be commissioned in two phases; Phase-I has been commissioned on 26-2-1986 and Phase-II is scheduled to be commissioned by 1-5-1988.

Production of Fish from Inland Water in Orissa

4577. SHRIMATI JAYANTI PATNAIK : Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) the target set for the production of fish from inland water in Orissa during the last two years ;

(b) the actual quantity of fish produced from inland water in Orissa during the above period; and

(c) the steps taken for inland fisheries development in Orissa ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND COOPERATION (SHRI YOGENDRA MA-KWANA) : (a) and (b) . The target and achievement in fish production in Orissa during the last two years are as follows :

Year	Target	(in tonnes)
		Achievement
1984-85	54,000	51,840
1985-86	60,000	52,000

(anticipated)

(c) The steps taken in Orissa for Inland Fisheries, Development are indicated below :

(i) Fish Farmers' Development Agencies have been established in eleven districts;

- (ii) Commercial Fish Seed Hatcheries are under construction at five sites for commercial fish seed production;
- (iii) Brackishwater Area Development Schemes have been launched for Brackishwater fish and prawn culture.

ESI Hospitals set up in Mines and Industrial Areas in Karnataka

4579. SHRI SRI KANTA DATTA NARASIMHARAJA WADIYAR : Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state :

(a) the number of E.S.I. hospitals set up in the mines and industrial areas in Karnataka ;

(b) whether Government have a proposal to set up some more E.S.I. hospitals in the industrial and mines areas as in Karnataka in 1986-87; and

(c) if so, the number thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTER OF LABOUR (SHRI P.A. SANGMA) : (a) to (c). The ESI Act, 1948 is not at present applicable to mines. The ESI Corporation has, however, so far set up 6 ESI hospitals with 1020 beds and 3 Annexes with 84 beds in different industrial areas in Karnataka for the use of insured persons and their families. One ESI hospital with 50 beds is at an advanced stage of construction at Davengere. There is also a proposal to construct one new ESI hospital at Belgaum with 50 beds.

[Translation]

Programmes Telecast on Second Channel

4580. SHRI SARFARAZ AHMAD :
SHRI VILAS MUTTEMWAR :

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state :

(a) whether according to the survey conducted by the Doordarshan Research Unit, the programmes telecast on the second channel are not liked by the viewers;

(b) whether the reasons behind this is that the programmes telecast on the second channel are outdated and monotonous; and

(c) the steps taken by Doordarshan to make the programmes on the second channel more attractive and useful ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI V.N. GADGIL) :

(a) According to main findings of the Audience Research Survey conducted by Doordarshan, the Programmes telecast on the second channel have lower rate of viewing in comparison to those shown on channel I.

(b) Main reasons for low rate of viewing on the second channel are :-

(i) Popular serials, film-based programmes as well as the Hindi feature film, which attracts large audiences, are put on channel I and thus, more viewers tune to channel I.

(ii) Viewers, both in Delhi and Bombay, are not yet fully accustomed to operating channel II in comparison to the well established channel I. The range of channel II is also limited since it is operated on a low power transmitter.

(iii) About 9% of the sets in households in Delhi and approximately 10% in Bombay have only single channel, and as such, are not able to see programmes of the second channel.

(iv) A fresh antenna is required to receive good quality picture on channel II. Many viewers have not installed it yet and continue to view channel I programmes.

(c) It is a constant endeavour of Doordarshan to improve the quality of its programmes. In addition to continuous professional assessment, feedback from viewers is also used as the input in the programmes. Changes in the contents, format, of the programmes are the essential features in programme planning of Doordarshan.