

Irrigation schemes of Guna and Shivpuri districts pending for approval

490. SHRI MAHENDRA SINGH : Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state :

(a) the names of the irrigation schemes for districts Guna and Shivpuri of Madhya Pradesh pending with the Union Government for their approval;

(b) the estimated cost, the area to be irrigated and the reasons for not according approval to them, scheme-wise; and

(c) the time by which Government will approve the Bhainsatori, Bandiyanala and Madikhera schemes of districts Guna and Shivpuri, Madhya Pradesh ?

THE MINISTER OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI B. SHANKRANAND) : (a) and (b). The information is given below :

Name of Project	Estd. Cost (Rs. crores)	Irrigation Potential (lakh hectares)	Present status
Rajghat Canal Project (Major scheme)	46.15	1.21	Accepted by the Advisory Committee of the Planning Commission in its meeting held on 6.1.83. However, certain issues regarding alignment of Datia Carrier Canal remain to be resolved between the Governments of U.P. and M.P.
Mahuor (Medium Scheme)	18.67	0.14	Considered by the Advisory Committee in its meeting held on 24.8.84. Compliance to the observations of the Advisory Committee is awaited from Government of M.P. since September, 84.

(c) Bandiyanala scheme benefitting Guna District has already been approved by the Planning Commission in March, 1982. The other two schemes have not been received so far from the Government of Madhya Pradesh.

[English]

Proposed shipping service on West Konkan coast

491. PROF. MADHU DANDAVATE : Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state ;

(a) whether it is a fact that a shipping company has already offered to run a fast shipping service from Bombay to Panaji and further to Mangalore along the Konkan coast without seeking any financial assistance from Maharashtra, Goa, Karnataka and Union Governments;

(b) whether Government had assured the House that the proposed shipping service would be allowed after sorting out the problems of safety; and

(c) if so, what are the reasons for the delay in allowing the proposed shipping service on the West Konkan coast?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI RAJESH PILOT) : (a) M/s. Satyagiri Shipping Company Limited, Bombay has submitted a preliminary proposal to introduce high speed passenger ship services on the Konkan Coast. The company has mentioned that they do not need any financial assistance from any Government.

(b) and (c). The House was informed in reply to starred question No. 223, dated 31.7.1986 (copy enclosed) on the same subject that the proposal is to be examined. The Party has been requested to furnish full technical details in this connection which are a waited.

[Translation]

**Persons suffering from conjunctivitis**

492. SHRI R. M. BHOYE : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether Union Government have collected data from certain states regarding the number of persons suffering from conjunctivitis, an eye disease; and

(b) if so, the State-wise details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (KUMARI SAROJ KHAPARDE) : (a) Conjunctivitis is not a

notifiable disease and as such no statistics are maintained.

(b) Does not arise.

[English]

**Tightening of security measures at international airports**

493. SHRI H. N. NANJE GOWDA :  
SHRI S. M. GURADDI :

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state :

(a) whether following the hijacking of Pan Am Aircraft at Karachi, the International Airports Authority of India has issued fresh letter to the management of four International Airports of India for undertaking security measures;

(b) whether IAAI had also directed that the security boards at the Delhi, Bombay, Madras and Calcutta Airports should reassess their security requirements immediately in order to avoid hijacking of any aircraft; and

(c) if so, the steps that have been taken to tighten the security at all airports in the country ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER) : (a) and (b). Yes, Sir.

(c) A statement is given below.

**Statement**

- (1) Perimeter security at all the four international airports has been tightened.
- (2) Entry on airside as well as other restricted areas of the airports has been further tightened.
- (3) Air Carriers have been directed to ensure security of catering items.
- (4) 'On-the job' training programme has been initiated for airport security police.