

*Karnataka State*

16. Shri T. R. Shamanna

*Madhya Pradesh State*

17. Shri Vidyacharan Shukla

18. Shri Bhanwarlal

19. Shri Chandulal Chandrakar

*Orissa State*

20. Shri Bijoyananda Patnaik

*Delhi Union Territory*

21. Shri Atal Behari Vajpayee

22. Shri Charanjit Singh

**Loss due to Fire in Srinagar  
Doordarshan Centre**

94. SHRI TARIQ ANWAR:

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KIDWAI:

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

(a) whether it is a fact that the Doordarshan Centre at Srinagar suffered considerable loss due to the fire at the T. V. Station;

(b) if so, estimated loss suffered and the cause of the fire; and

(c) steps taken by Government to check the repeated fire incidents at T.V. Station, Srinagar?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING AND SUPPLY AND REHABILITATION (SHRI VASANT SATHE): (a) and (b). The fire which broke out in the heating and airconditioning plant room of the Srinagar T.V. studios on 9-2-80 was caused by an accident. The resultant damage to equipment and building is estimated at Rs. 1.90 lakhs.

(c) It is proposed to instal fire alarm systems incorporating heat and smoke detectors in all areas prone to fire.

**Bango Dam for Irrigation and Hydel Power in Bilaspur District, M.P.**

95. DR. VASANT KUMAR PANDIT: Will the Minister of ENERGY AND IRRIGATION AND COAL be pleased to state:

(a) whether the project report for setting up the Bango Dam for irrigation and hydel power in Bilaspur District submitted by Madhya Pradesh has been approved by the Government of India; if not, the reasons for its delay and the time by which this scheme would be sanctioned;

(b) when the Bango Dam would be completed; and

(c) is it correct that unless this is done the thermal power generation schemes of the National Thermal Power Corporation for 2000 MW capacity and of Madhya Pradesh Electricity Board 1000/1200 MW capacity at Korba on the west bank of the river Hasdeo at Korba will be severely affected for want of water supply?

THE MINISTER OF ENERGY AND IRRIGATION AND COAL (SHRI A. B. A. GHANI KHAN CHAUDHURI): (a) The Hasdeo Bango multipurpose Project could not be approved so far on account of the problems of submergence of coal reserve in the reservoir area of the proposed Scheme and acceptance by the Government of Madhya Pradesh to the implementation of safeguards from environmental angle suggested by the Union Department of Science and Technology. The acceptance of the project by the Planning Commission is under active consideration.

(b) The period of completion of Bango Dam as envisaged in the Project Report is seven years after the commencement of works.

(c) Construction of 1100 MW stage of Thermal Power Station at Korba in the Central Sector has already com-