

Double Telephone Line between Ther and Chstile

1816. SHRI DIGVIJAY SINH: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) what is the stage of progress of laying the double telephone line between Ther and Chstile and between Patdi and Ahmedabad in Gujarat; and

(b) when this will be completed?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI KARTIK ORAON):

(a) The scheme for construction of a second telephone line between Ther and Chotila (Chstile) has been approved. The proposal for a second trunk line between Patdi and Ahmedabad has not been found justified with present traffic.

(b) Efforts are being made to complete the second telephone line between Ther and Chstile during the current financial year.

Settlement of pending Demands of Employees of Farakka Barrage

1817. SHRI ZAINAL ABEDIN: Will the Minister of IRRIGATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether his Ministry have been considering settlement of the long pending demands of the workers and employees of the Farakka Barrage Project as submitted earlier by the representatives of the workers and employees; and

(b) if so, whether the General Manager of Farakka Barrage Project has been given necessary instructions in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF IRRIGATION (SHRI Z. R. ANSARI): (a) and (b). The demands of the associations and unions of the employees of the Farakka Barrage Project were considered at a meeting of the representatives of such associations and unions with the Minister of Irrigation on 18th and

19th June, 1980 and suitable instructions were given to the General Manager, Farakka Barrage Project.

Medium and Major Irrigation Projects pending clearance in Orissa

1818. SHRI GIRIDHAR GOMANGO: Will the Minister of IRRIGATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government of Orissa has sent the project report of Medium and Major Irrigation projects for the clearance of his Ministry;

(b) if so, the names of the projects sent for clearance and the projects cleared by the Government of India for inclusion and exclusion in this financial year;

(c) how many of the projects are in Tribal sub-Plan areas proposed; and

(d) the names of the Medium Irrigation projects of tribal districts of the state being delayed for the survey and preparation of the project?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF IRRIGATION (SHRI Z. R. ANSARI): (a) and (b). The Government of Orissa have sent the following Project Reports to the Central Water Commission for obtaining clearance of the Planning Commission:

Major Projects

- (i) Bhimkund Multipurpose.
- (ii) Samakoi Irrigation.
- (iii) Galudih.
- (vi) Subarnarekha Irrigation.
- (v) Canalisation of Anandpur Barrage Stage—I.
- (vi) Ib Irrigation.

Medium Project

- (i) Bankabal.
- (ii) Badanala.
- (iii) Darjang Stage—II.
- (iv) Kansbahal.