

(c) if so, what action Government contemplate to construct a dam on Kalpong river considering that not a single acre of land is under irrigation in Andaman and Nicobar Islands and if constructed, this venture would be the only one to provide irrigation facilities?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF IRRIGATION (SHRI Z. R. ANSARI): (a) to (c). The report on Kalpong project Stage-I which envisage a power generation of 940 KW and an irrigation potential of 400 hectares was received from the Andaman and Nicobar Administration in December, 1977 but was found economically not feasible. This project duly modified for power generation alone is under examination in Central Electricity Authority.

A proposal for Kalpong Project Stage-II which envisages power generation of 215 KW and an irrigation potential of 1080 hectares in Diglipur Tehsil was also found economically not feasible.

A Central Team which visited the Andaman and Nicobar Island in January, 1978 in their report submitted to the Government of India in December, 1978 had felt that there is scope to take up minor irrigation schemes in preference to major and medium storage schemes for irrigation. The Andaman and Nicobar Administration has also set up an investigation Division for the assessment of surface water sources in the Union Territory. The minor irrigation schemes will be taken up after the investigation of schemes are completed and feasibility Reports are prepared.

#### **Guidelines for Foreign Correspondents**

205. SHRI N. E. HORO: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Pakistan TV has highlighted the violent incidence in Moradabad and Sri-

nagar giving the viewers a distorted version of these happenings; and

(b) if so, what are the guidelines laid down for the foreign correspondents as well as foreign photographers by the Indian Government in such circumstances?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (KUMARI KUMUDBEN M. JOSHI): (a) Press Reports to the effect that Pakistan TV had highlighted the Moradabad and Srinagar incidents have come to Government's notice.

(b) There are no guidelines, prescribed by the Governments, for the foreign correspondents/photographs in this behalf.

#### **Setting up of a High-Level Energy Commission**

206 SHRI LAKSHMAN MALLICK: Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to set up a High-level Energy Commission; and

(b) if so, what are the details in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENERGY (SHRI VIKRAM MAHAJAN): (a) No, Sir, at present there is no proposal to set up a High-Level Energy Commission.

(b) Does not arise.

#### **News-Item Captioned "Coal Shortage hits Plan to raise Power output"**

207. SHRI S. M. KRISHNA:  
SHRI M. V. CHANDRASHEKARA MURTHY:

Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether his attention has been drawn to the news-item captioned "coal shortage hits plan to raise