

**Shri Hathi:** It is not a question of re-opening of the matter by the successor Governments.

**Shri M. B. Thakore:** May I know the names of the States which utilised the waters of the Krishna and the Godavari exclusively in the past?

**Shri Hathi:** These were the States, namely, Hyderabad, Madras,—there was no Andhra Pradesh before 1951—Mysore and Bombay.

**Shri B. K. Gaikwad:** May I know how long it will take to arrive at a final decision on this?

**Shri Hathi:** I said that within the next few days we shall be taking a final decision as regards the next step.

**Mr. Speaker:** During the next few days, What is the exact time—hours or minute? **Shri Assar:**

**Shri Assar:** The Deputy Minister has said that the decision will be taken in the next few days. In case the concerned States do not come to an understanding, will the Central Government take the appropriate decision immediately?

**Shri Hathi:** What I said was that a decision would be taken regarding the next step to be taken. We might examine the possibility of augmenting the water supply. If the States are not satisfied and they have to say anything, we shall further negotiate with them.

**Shri T. B. Vittal Rao:** The hon. Minister has said that a decision will be taken in the next few days. May I know if there is a proposal to modify the whole thing or refer it to arbitration?

**Shri Hathi:** A decision with regard to the next step will be taken in the next few days. There is no question of allocating the waters or changing or specifying the share of any State.

**Shri T. B. Vittal Rao:** What is the next step?

**Mr. Speaker:** I do not know. The Question Hour is over.

**Shri Nath Pat:** I have a question to ask.

**Mr. Speaker:** The Question Hour is over. What can I do?

#### WRITTEN ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS

##### Shortage of Doctors in States

\*1556. **Shri Chintamani Panigrahi:** Will the Minister of Health be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that there is shortage of doctors in many states of India;

(b) whether Government are aware that in some States dispensaries are running without doctors;

(c) whether Government have received such reports from any of the State Governments, specially from Orissa;

(d) if so, what special measures have been proposed to be taken for relieving this shortage of doctors in Orissa during the Third Five Year Plan; and

(e) whether any provision has been made for Orissa in 1961-62 in this regard?

**The Minister of Health (Shri Karwarakar):** (a) to (c). Yes, Sir.

(d) A statement is laid on the Table of the House. [See Appendix V annexure No. 52].

(e) The detailed revised plan from the Government of Orissa has not been received so far by the Planning Commission.

##### B.T. Wire (or Bridges) in Andhra Pradesh

\*1557. **Shri Rami Reddy:** Will the Minister of Transport and Communications be pleased to state:

(a) what is the quantity of High Tensile wire allotted for bridge works in Andhra Pradesh in 1959-60 and 1960-61;

(b) what is the quantity supplied so far;

(c) whether it is a fact that the completion of the construction of the bridges has been held up on account of non supply of the High Tensile Wire;

(d) if so, what are the projects affected by the non-supply of this wire; and

(e) what are the reasons for non supply?

**The Minister of Transport and Communications (Dr. P. Subbarayan):** (a) 1959-60 — 1189 tons.

1960-61 — —

Total — 1189 tons.

(b) 1189 tons.

(c) to (e) A statement giving the required information is as under:

#### STATEMENT

The construction of the bridge across Gautami Branch of the Godavari was stopped in 1959-60 by the Contractors. One reason for this was the non-availability of High Tensile Steel Wire. On the supply of High Tensile Steel Wire to the Contractors, the work has been resumed. Apart from the Gautami Bridge the construction of no other bridge was delayed at any stage on account of non-availability of High Tensile Steel Wire.

2. There was delay in the supply of the High Tensile Steel Wire for Gautami Bridge, as the steel wire was in short supply. As soon as the steel wire imported from Japan was available, the allotment was made.

#### Telephone Manufacturing Factory

\*1560. **Shri Ajit Singh Sarhadi:** Will the Minister of Transport and Communication be pleased to state:

(a) whether States lacking heavy industries are being given a chance to have the telephone manufacturing factory, the proposal of which is under consideration; and

(b) if so, which States have sought the location of this factory?

**The Minister of Transport and Communications (Dr. P. Subbarayan):** (a) The details regarding the location etc. of the second telephone manufacturing factory have not yet been considered. The proposal for setting up the factory is still in a preliminary stage and is under examination in consultation with the Planning Commission.

(b) No proposals have so far been received.

#### Agartala-Calcutta Air Traffic

\*1561. **Shri Dasaratha Deb:** Will the Minister of Transport and Communications be pleased to state:

(a) what is the monthly average air passenger traffic from Agartala to Calcutta during six months ending on the 1st March, 1961;

(b) whether the traffic is on the increase;

(c) whether it is a fact that passengers have to wait for days in order to secure a passage; and

(d) if so, what steps are being taken to provide more flights and seats for the convenience of the passengers?

**The Deputy Minister of Civil Aviation (Shri Mabiaddin):** (a) The monthly average of passengers carried from Agartala to Calcutta during the six months ended 1st March, 1961 was 1175.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) Occasionally a few passengers had to wait for a day or two to secure a passage for Calcutta from Agartala and vice versa.

(d) The Corporation propose to introduce w.e.f. 1st May, 1961 a daily service on the Calcutta-Agartala-Calcutta route with a Fokker Friendship aircraft having a seating capacity of 36-40 passengers replacing the existing five-weekly Dakota service with 21/28 seats.