होती है। राज्य सरकार ने छोसाला में बाढ़ नियं-त्रण बांध के लिए ग्रनुसंधान कार्य किया था परन्तु जन्हें यह पता चला कि बाढ़ नियंत्रण के लिए बांध का निर्माण आधिक रूप से व्यवहार्य नहीं होगा। बहरहाल, मंदसौर की प्रतिप्रवाह पिशा में एक बांध के लिए और सर्वेक्षण कार्य चल रहा है।

राज्य सरकार ने मंदसौर शहर के नीचे क्षेत्रों से लोगों को स्थानान्तरित करने के लिए एक नई बस्ती स्थापित की है। वर्तमान उपसेतु (काजवे), जिससे बाढ़ों की ऊंचाई कम हो जाएगी, के स्थान पर एक ऊंचे स्तर के पुल का निर्माण भी जारी है।

नर्मदा नदी में बाढ़

7448. डा. लक्ष्मीनारायण पांडे : क्या सिचाई और विद्युत् मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

- (क) क्या नर्मदा नदी में बाढ़ आ जाने से होणंगावाद और उसके निकटवर्ती क्षेत्रों को प्रत्येक वर्ष बढ़ का खतरा उत्पन्न हो जाता है; और
- (ख) उक्त नगर तथा निकटवर्ती क्षेत्रों को बाढ़ की चपेट से बचाने के लिए तैयार की गई योजना को क्रियान्वित करने के बारे में क्या स्थिति है?

सिचाई श्रौर विद्युत् मंत्रालय में उपमंत्री (श्री बैजनाथ कुरील): (क) जब नर्मदा नदी में भारी बाढ़ें आती हैं तो होशंगाबाद नगर श्रौर सहवर्ती क्षेत्रों के कुछ नीचे क्षेत्र जल के उमड़ने श्रौर लेंडियां नाले में पश्चप्रवाह के कारण प्रभा-वित हो जाते हैं।

(व) नगर को सुरक्षा प्रदान करने के लिए, मध्य प्रदेश सरकार द्वारा निम्नलिखित स्कीमें पहले ही कियान्वित की जा चुकी हैं :---

- (1) जल के उमड़ने को रोकने के लिए होम साइंस कालेज के निकट निम्न रिज के ग्रार पार 330 मीटर लम्बे तटबंघ का निर्माण;
- (2) नर्मदा के पानी के पुन: लेंडिया नाले में ग्रा जाने को रोकने के लिए एक स्कीम।

राज्य सरकार ने निम्नलिखित स्कीमों को भी हाथ में लेने का प्रस्ताव रखा है:

- (1) प्रति प्रवाह दिशा की पहुंचों में नीचे तटबंधों को ऊंचा और मजबूत करना; ग्रीर
- (2) घाटों को ऊंचा करना।

इन स्कीमों को, बहरहाल, ग्रभी तैयार किया जाना है।

Widening of Railway bridges on the Teesta river near Jalpaiguri

7449. SHRI DINESH JOARDER: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the necessity to widen the two road-Railway bridges on the Teesta river near Jalpaiguri in West Bengal;
- (b) whether Government have received any letter from the Union Irrigation Minister and if so, the contents thereof; and
- (c) the time by which the work is likely to be state?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI HANUMANTHAIYA): (a) Yes.

- (b) Yes. The contents put briefly are as under:
 - "The Technical Experts Committee constituted by the Ministry of Irrigation and Power in November, 68

recommended in their report in 1970 that additional water-way should be provided under the Railway and road bridges on Teesta near Jalpaiguri. The member representing the Railways dissented from this decision and suggested observations of river behaviour before deciding the extent of additional water-way.

Observations were carried out during the flood season of 1970. The results of the observations are under discussion amongst the Technical Officers of the Railway Board, State Government of West Bengal and Central Water and Power Commission.

The provision of additional waterway essential for the safety of the Jalpaiguri Town. The State Government of West Bengal have accepted the proposal to widen the road bridges but the extension of the road bridge will not be of use unless Railway bridge is also widened. The Chief Minister of West Bengal and the Prime Minister have also desired that the matter should be expedited.

It is necessary to prepare the scheme before the end of current monsoon season so that the works could be taken up immediately after the working season commencing from October—November, 71".

It is too early to indicate at this stage as the need for extension of the Railway bridge still remains to be established. The question of widening of the Railway bridges in the light of the data collected during the observations of the river behaviour in the monsoon of 1970 and 1971, is under discussion amongst the technical officers of Ministry of Railways, Ministry of Shipping and Transport and the State Government of West Bengal under the Chairmanship of Member (Floods), Central Water and Power Commission.

Industries based on petro-chemicals in public sector

7450. SHRI DINESH JOARDER:

LOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government have revised their earlier decision for setting up a number of industries based on petrochemicals in public sector and issued licences to the big business houses for the same;
 - (b) if so, the particulars thereof:
- (c) the total number of licences issued to the big industrial houses for this purpose; and
- (d) the reasons for changing the earlier decision referred to in part (a) above?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOP-MENT (SHRI GHANSHYAM OZA): (a) to (d). The requisite information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Extent of Damage caused in Malda District, West Bengal by Floods

- 7451. SHRI DINESH JOARDER: Will the Minister of IRRIGATION AND POWER be pleased to state:
- (a) the number of families who were dispossessed of their land and the extent of damages caused to the crop, cattle and to the silk industry in the district of Malda, West Bengal during the flood in 1968-69 separately;
- (b) the main features of the report of the Central Government study team sent to Malda in September 1969; and
- (c) the steps Government propose to take to control the flood of the rivers Fulaban, Mahananda, Kalindi and the Ganges in the district of Malda?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF IRRIGATION AND POWER (SHRI B. N. KUREEL): (a) The damage due to floods in the district of Malda during 1968 and 1969, as reported by the Government of West Bengal, is given