

Centrally-Sponsored Irrigation Projects in Madhya Pradesh

1052. SHRI NARENDRA SINGH: Will the Minister of IRRIGATION AND POWER be pleased to state:

(a) the number of centrally-sponsored irrigation projects under construction in Madhya Pradesh;

(b) how many of them are behind schedule;

(c) whether any of these projects are in need of foreign collaboration; and

(d) if so, the names and location of the projects which need collaboration?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF IRRIGATION AND POWER (SHRI B. N. KUREEL): (a) to (d). Irrigation is a State subject. There is no centrally sponsored scheme of irrigation and irrigation projects are planned, investigated and constructed by the State Governments as a part of their developmental plans. Central assistance to State Plans is provided in the form of block loans and grants for the State Plans as a whole and is not related to any individual head of development or project.

Some of the projects taken up by the Government of Madhya Pradesh like Chambal, Tawa and Barna and a number of medium schemes have been under construction for a long time. Priority has been given to such projects and they are expected to be substantially completed by the end of the Fourth Plan or early in the Fifth Plan.

No proposals for any foreign collaboration have been received from the Government of Madhya Pradesh.

Assistance from World Bank for the Expansion of Nangal Fertilizer Plant

1053. SHRI C. T. DHANDAPANI:
SHRI GIRIDHAR GOMANGO:

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS be pleased to state;

(a) whether the World Bank has agreed to assist the expansion project of the Nangal Fertilizer Plant in Punjab;

(b) whether this project of Rs. 75 crores required foreign exchange to the extent of Rs. 29 crores and whether the world Bank has agreed to give assistance to that extent; and

(c) if so, when the project is likely to be completed?

THE MINISTER OF LAW AND JUSTICE AND PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS (SHRI H. R. GOKHALE):

(a) to (c). The Nangal (Expansion) Project, which is estimated to cost about Rs. 75.6 crores including World Bank foreign exchange assistance of about Rs. 39 crores, has been posed to the World Bank. The time-schedule for the completion of the project is 36 months from the date of commencement of work.

Supply of Power to Andhra Pradesh by Orissa

1054. SHRI C. T. DHANDAPANI:
SHRI GIRIDHAR GOMANGO:

Will the Minister of IRRIGATION AND POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Orissa has offered to sell to Andhra Pradesh the entire power to be generated from its newly constructed Hydro power station at Balimera Koraput District;

(b) if so, the total power to be supplied to Andhra Pradesh by Orissa; and

(c) the terms and conditions thereof?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF IRRIGATION AND POWER (SHRI B. N. KUREEL): (a). Orissa has not offered to sell to Andhra Pradesh the entire power to be generated from the Balimela Hydro Electric Project,