

the Railways. During summer months, there was frequent power shedding and power tripping on the busy electrified routes of the Indian Railways, which seriously affected train movements. Industrial production has also been affected due to general power shortage in the country. This was followed by series of breaches and floods during monsoons. The movement of traffic on the Railways was severely disrupted frequently as a result of Wild-Cat strikes and agitations by railway staff. Locomen's strike, public agitations and food riots, bundhs, civil disturbances, labour strikes in various industrial establishments, and excessive detention to wagons at terminals etc.

Finalisation of Flood Control-cum-Irrigation Schemes over River Dhans-Bagmati and Embankments over River Mohini

855. SHRI BHOGENDRA JHA: Will the Minister of IRRIGATION AND POWER be pleased to refer to the reply given to Unstarred Question No. 4269 on the 11th December, 1973 regarding survey of Dhans-Bagmati River for implementation of Flood Control-cum-Irrigation Project in Darbhanga District of Bihar and state:

(a) whether the flood-control cum-irrigation schemes over river Dhans-Bagmati and embankments over river Mohini have since been finalised;

(b) if so, the main features thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons for delay?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF IRRIGATION AND POWER (SHRI SIDDHESHWAR PRASAD): (a) to (c). The State Government of Bihar has not yet finalised the scheme. It has been reported by the State Government that certain clarifications required for finalisation of the estimates are awaited from the field organisation.

Construction of Sluice Gate-cum-Bridge over River Khiroi in Bihar

856. SHRI BHOGENDRA JHA: Will the Minister of IRRIGATION AND POWER be pleased to refer to the reply given to Unstarred Question No. 4270 on the 11th December, 1973 regarding construction of sluice gate-cum-bridge over River Khiroi in Bihar and state:

(a) the exact findings of the hydrological observations made in river Khiroi during the last three years;

(b) whether any decision for constructing sluice gate-cum-bridge over river Khiroi between Hariharpur and Kalingaon villages and at Muraittha has, since been taken; and

(c) if so, the main features thereof?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF IRRIGATION AND POWER (SHRI SIDDHESHWAR PRASAD): (a) to (c). The State Government of Bihar have reported that the analysis of the hydrological data collected since 1970 has indicated that the discharges in the river in the Hathia period (first half of October) are not adequate for the success of a diversion scheme for irrigation. Therefore, it has been proposed to continue the hydrological observations. The scheme can be formulated only after the results of such observations are found favourable.

सिंचाई परियोजनाओं के लिए मध्य प्रदेश को सहायता

२२७. डा० लक्ष्मीनारायण साहू : क्या सिंचाई और विद्युत मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि केन्द्रीय सरकार ने मध्य प्रदेश सरकार को और अधिक प्रतिशत भूमि की सिंचाई केन्द्र के अधीन लाने के लिये कितनी वित्तीय सहायता गत तीन वर्षों में दी है