

National Highways sanctioned for Gujarat

1422. SHRI SOMCHAND SOLANKI: Will the Minister of SHIPPING AND TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) the total length of national Highways already sanctioned in Gujarat State in the existing National Highways system;

(b) how many miles of such roads are not yet completed or are under construction; and

(c) the amount sanctioned and the amount already utilized?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING AND TRANSPORT (SHRI H. M. TRIVEDI): (a) to (c) Gujarat State has 1352 Kms. of National Highways. The whole of the length includes all weather fully bridged roads. However, the existing National Highways are being widened, strengthened and improved and weak and narrow bridges are being replaced. A total sum of Rs. 1129.26 lakhs was allotted to the Government of Gujarat for National Highway (Original) works covering the aforesaid development works during the 4th Plan period. Against this allotment the expenditure during the same period amounted to Rs. 1128.08 lakhs.

Indo-Gabon Agreement on Economic and Technical Co-operation

1423. SHRI VIRBHADRA SINGH: SHRI BANAMALI BABU:

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Indo-Gabon Agreement on Economic and Technical Co-operation has been signed in October, 1974; and

(b) if so, the main features thereof?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI BIPINPAL DAS): (a) Discussions were held during the recent visit of the President of Gabon between Shri T. A. Pai, Minister for Industry and Civil Supplies and Mr. Paul Moukambi, Minister of Economy and Finance of Gabon accompanied by their respective Advisers. Agreed minutes of the discussions were signed and exchanged on October 15, 1974.

(b) India has agreed in principle to make available services of professors, engineers and doctors to be directly employed by the Government of Gabon. The two sides also expressed interest in setting up joint ventures for the manufacture of soap, glass, plywood, footwear, tobacco, cement, textiles and paper and for collaborating in refineries, iron ore mining, production of oil and natural gas, fisheries and production of machine tools. India offered to make consultancy services available to Gabon.

मध्य प्रदेश में इटारिया गांव के निकट शरणार्थियों का पुनर्वास

1424. श्री गंगा चरण हीक्षित: क्या प्रति और पुनर्वास मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) बंगाल से आये कितने शरणार्थियों को मध्य प्रदेश में इटारसी तहसील के इटारिया गांव के निकट बसा लिया गया है ;

(ख) गत तीन वर्षों में, इनके पुनर्वास पर कितनी राशि व्यय की गई है ; और

(ग) इस बारे में भावी योजनाएँ क्या हैं और इन योजनाओं पर कितनी लागत आयेगी ?

प्रति और पुनर्वास मंत्रालय में उपजंत्री (श्री जी० बंकटस्वामी): (क) मध्य प्रदेश में इटारसी तहसील के इटारिया गांव के पास किसी विस्थापित व्यक्ति को नहीं बसाया गया है ।