given to Short Notice Question No. 34 on the 7th September, 1966 and state:

(a) whether the question of providing additional financial assistance for Nagarjunasagar project has been considered by Government; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

The Minister of Irrigation and Power (Shri Rakhruddin Ahmed): (a) Yes.

(b) Additional financial assistance during the current financial year to the extent of Rs. 4 crores over and above the original provision of Rs. 8.5 crores has been agreed to and the position will again be reviewed shortly.

More Funds for Irrigation

360. Shri Yashpal Singh: Shri Surendra Pal Singh:

Will the Minister of Irrigation and Power be pleased to state:

(a) whether his Ministry have asked for Rs. 275 crores more for irrigation in the Fourth Plan in addition to the draft outlay; and

(b) if so, the reaction of the Planning Commission thereto?

The Minister of Irrigation and Power (Shri Fakhruddin Ahmed): (a) Yes

(b) The matter is under consideration.

Communicable Diseases

361. Shri Yashpal Singh: Shri Bagri; Dr. Ram Manohar Lohia:

Will the Minister of Health and Family Planning be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that in the recent annual Report of World Health Organisation for South-East Asia, it has been reported that communicable diseases are still responsible for the major part of preventable disease and death in South-East Asia and because of increasing population, mobility now pose new threats to relatively healthy areas; and

(b) if so, the reaction of Government thereto?

The Minister of Health and Family Planning (Dr. Sushila Nayar): (a) Yes.

(b) 1. Programmes for the control eradication of communicable diseases are being given a high priority in the country's Five Year Plans. The following programmes are included in the Fourth Plan:

(i) Malaria Eradication.

(ii) Smallpox Eradication.

- (iii) Tuberculosis Control.
- (iv) Leprosy Control.
- (v) Trachoma Control.
- (vi) Venereal Diseases Control.
- (vii) Cholera Control.
- (viii) Filaria Control.
- (ix) Rabies Control.

2. Provision for Water Supply and Sanitation Programmes is being made in the successive Five Year Plans to reduce the spread of gastrointestinal infections.

3. The health organisation particularly the basic health services, the epidemiological, health laboratory and statistical services have been accorded priority in the future development of health services.

4. International quarantine measures are being strictly observed to obviate the risk of spread of quarantinable diseases, specially yellow fever.

Schools in Tribal Areas of Madhya Pradesh

362. Shri Wadiwa: Will the Minister of Planning and Social Welfare be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that for the last three years, it has not been possible for the Government of Madhya Pradesh to open primary/ middle/Higher Secondary schools in