

27.5.91 through a Gazette Notification.

**"Clearance of Irrigation Projects of West Bengal"**

2611. SHRI SUDHIR GIRI: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of cases referred to the Government for seeking clearance from forest and environmental angles in respect of irrigation projects as on July, 1991; and

(b) the details of such cases received from West Bengal which have been disposed of and those which have yet to be disposed of?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI KAMAL NATH): (a) and (b). Only eleven irrigation projects from West Bengal have so far been referred for environmental and forestry clearance. Present status of consideration of these projects is given in the enclosed statement.

**STATEMENT**

| <i>Sl.No.</i>                     | <i>Name of the Project</i>   | <i>Status of consideration</i>                                     |
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| 1                                 | 2  | 3  |
| <b>A. Environmental Clearance</b> |  |  |
| 1.                                | Ajoy Reservoir Project   | Rejected due to non-submission of requisite data and action plans. |
| 2.                                | Upper Kangsabati Project   |  |
| 3.                                | Modernisation of Kangsabati Reservoir Project                                      |  |
| 4.                                | Subernarekha Barrage Project   |  |
| <b>B. Forestry Clearance</b>      |  |  |
| 1.                                | Excavation of Canals   | Approved   |
| 2.                                | Laying of Pipeline by MI Department  | —do—   |
| 3.                                | Construction of temporary camp for Teesta Bridge                                   | —do—   |
| 4.                                | Excavation of Bicanal from Main Canal TSMC (N) of Kagsabari Canal Division No. VI. | Rejected due to non-submission of requisite data and action plans. |
| 5.                                | Construction of Teesta Mahanadi link Canal of Teesta Barrage Project               |  |

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| <b>1</b>      | <b>2</b>  | <b>3</b>                       |
| 6.            | Jaldhara Main Canal of Teesta Barrage.            | Assessment has been completed. |
| 7.            | Distributory No. I of Mahanadi Teesta link Canal. | Assessment has been completed. |