

1	2	3	4	5
25.	West Bengal	804	8872	11294
26.	Pondicherry	175	128	199
27.	Delhi	213	111	159
Total		440439	536909	570995
28.	Centre	197	241	217
Grand Total		440636	537150	571212

Setting up of a Secretariat

3141. SHRI FRANCICO SARDINHA : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the progress made on forming a common market for Indian Ocean Rim Countries;

(b) whether a Secretariat for this purpose is planned;

(c) whether India propose to house it; and

(d) whether the strategically situated Goa is likely to be considered for the Seretariat for the above trade block?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRIMATI VASUNDHARA RAJE) : (a) There is not proposal to form a common market for Indian Ocean Rim Countries. However, 14 Indian Ocean Rim Countries have formed an Indian Ocean Rim Association for Regional Cooperation (IOR-ARC) focussing on economic cooperation. Its sope of activities include trade and investment promotion, facillitation and liberalisation, tourism, science and technology, and human resource development.

(b) The IOR-ARC's "Pilot Coordination Mechanism", which serves as its Secretariat, is located in Mauritius.

(c) and (d) Do not arise.

Bore Wells

3142. SHRI RAVI SITARAM NAIK : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the State Government of Goa has submitted to the Union Government 10,000 irrigation bore wells projects for clearance;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the total land in the State likely to be irrigated from these projects;

(c) the details of the agencies which have agreed to finance the projects; and

(d) the time by which the projects are likely to be cleared?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI SOMPAL) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) to (d) Do not arise.

Hirakud Dam

3143. SHRI BHARTRAHARI MAHTAB : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether some cracks have developed in Hirakud Dam recently;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) the remedial steps taken by the Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI SOMPAL) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) To investigate the reasons of cracks, the Government of Orissa has referred the problem to Hirakud Dam Crack Review Panel and Dam Safety Review panel.