

convening their meetings regularly.

### **National Minimum Wage**

1553. SHRIMATI GEETA MUKHERJEE: Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have decided to fix National minimum wage during 1990;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF LABOUR AND WELFARE (SHRI RAM VILAS PASWAN):

(a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) There is no such proposal under consideration of the Government.

[*Translation*]

### **Irrigation Facilities for Akhal Division In Bihar**

1554. SHRI RAMASHRAY PRASAD SINGH: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that better irrigation facilities can be provided by river Sona in Akhal division of Jahanabad District in Bihar;

(b) if so, whether a study team of Central Water Commission is proposed to visit that place for conducting a survey on this matter; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI MANUBHAI KOTADIA): (a) and (b). No such proposal has been received in Government

of India from the State Government.

(c) Does not arise.

[*English*]

### **Setting up of Rubber Prophylactile Project in Orissa**

1555. SHRI K. PRADHANI: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to set up a rubber prophylactile project in Orissa; and

(c) if so, the proposed cost of the project its location and likely date of its setting up?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI NILAMANI ROUTRAY): (a) Government of India has no proposal at present to set up a rubber prophylactile plant in Orissa.

(b) Does not arise.

### **Irrigation Potentials and its Utilisation**

1556. SHRI K. PRADHANI: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the gap between irrigation potentials and its utilisation is continuously increasing;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether any scheme is being formulated by Government on priority basis to fill up this gap; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI MANUBHAI KOTADIA): (a) and (b). There is