

### Allocation for Education During Sixth Plan

\*239 PROF. SAIF-UD-DIN-SOZ : Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state :

(a) the total monetary allocation for education during the Sixth Plan ; and

(b) the actual expenditure in the Sixth Plan period on Primary, Secondary and Higher Education separately ?

THE MINISTER OF EDUCATION (SHRI K. C. PANT) : (a) The VIth Plan allocation for the country for Education is Rs. 2523.74 crores.

(b) As the VIth Plan is still in operation, the figures of actual expenditure are not yet available.

### Requirement/Availability of and Disorders Caused by Deficiency of Iodised Salt

\*240. SHRI MOOL CHAND DAGA : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) the details of effects and developmental disorders caused by the iodine deficiency in the human body ;

(b) what action Government have taken to meet the shortage of iodised salt and with what results ;

(c) what is our total requirement and availability of iodised salt in the country and what action has Government taken to improve the position ;

(d) which are the worst affected States in the country where people suffer on this account ; and

(e) amount spent by each State during 1983-84 and till December, 1984 ?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI MOHSINA KIDWAI) : (a) Iodine deficiency disorders in the human body include goitre-an enlargement of the thyroid gland, mental retardation and physical disabilities such as stunted

growth, defects of stance and gait, squint, lack of muscular coordination and deaf-mutism. Another serious iodine deficiency disorder is cretinism which is a condition of mental retardation combined with some of the other infirmities.

(b) and (c). The total requirement of iodised salt for the hyper-endemic zone has been estimated at 10 lakh metric tonnes. At present the public sector is producing 1.92 lakh metric tonnes per annum. In order to bridge the gap between demand and supply the government have permitted the private sector also to produce iodised salt. It is expected that the country's requirement of iodised salt will be fully met by the end of the Seventh Plan.

(d) The endemic goitre belt in India covers the entire Sub-Himalayan Region and includes the States of Jammu and Kashmir, Himachal Pradesh, Uttar Pradesh, Bihar, West Bengal, Sikkim, Assam, Arunachal Pradesh, Nagaland, Manipur, Meghalaya and Tripura apart from Punjab, Haryana, and the Union Territory of Chandigarh. Endemic goitre is also found prevalent in certain districts of Madhya Pradesh, Gujarat and Maharashtra.

(e) The National Goitre Control Programme is an entirely Centrally Sponsored Scheme and the entire expenditure towards iodisation of salt is met by the Government of India. A sum of Rs. 20.66 lakh was spent on iodisation of salt in 1983-84 and Rs. 17.00 lakh till December, 1984.

### Polavaram Project, Andhra Pradesh

\*241 SHRI S. M. BHATTAM : Will the Minister of IRRIGATION AND POWER be pleased to state :

(a) whether the estimate for the Polavaram Project has since been received by the Centre from the Andhra Pradesh Government ;

(b) whether it has been cleared by Central Water/Power Commission ;

(c) whether foundation stone for the said project was laid by the previous Chief Minister and if so, when ; and

(d) whether the revised project reports submitted to the Central Water Commission in April, 1983 have received the approval of the Government ?

THE MINISTER OF IRRIGATION AND POWER (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Yes, Sir. In 1982.

(d) No, Sir.

[*Translation*]

**Conversion of Moradabad-Ramnagar and Bareilly-Kathgodam Lines**

\*242. SHRI HARISH RAWAT : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether the work of conversion of Moradabad-Ramnagar and Bareilly-Kathgodam railway lines into broad gauge is going on ;

(b) if so, the total amount spent on this work so far ; and

(c) whether the work on these projects would be completed during the Seventh Plan period ?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI BANSI LAL) : (a) Work on conversion of Moradabad-Ramnagar is in Progress. No Work has been taken-up on the Bareilly-Kathgodam section except Survey.

(b) and (c). An amount of Rs. 4.23 crores is anticipated to be spent on Moradabad-Ramnagar Gauge Conversion upto, 31.3. '85. Its completion will depend on availability of resources.

[*English*]

**Rail Line Between Nadikude to Bibinagar**

\*136. SHRI N. V. RATNAM : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) when was the railway line between Nadikude in Guntur District to Bibinagar near Hyderabad taken up and the present stage thereof ;

(b) whether the conversion of Nadikude line to broad gauge from Guntur has been taken up and if so, the present stage; and

(c) by what time this railway line is likely to be completed ?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI BANSI LAL) : (a) The work was included in the Budget for 1974-75. The 1st Phase of line from Bibinagar to Nalgonda (74 Kms.) was opened to traffic on 27.3.1981. The Second phase of the scheme from Nalgonda to Nadikude (75.4 Kms.) is in progress. The Section from Nalgonda to Miryalguda (37 Kms.) was recently opened on 15.9.1984 for goods traffic. Efforts are now being made to concentrate on opening the next section upto Vishnupur as early as possible subject to availability of funds. The overall progress of the work (Phase-II) is 72.75%.

(b) The conversion of Guntur-Nadikude-Macherla Section from Metre Gauge to Broad (130 Kms.) is an approved on-going project. Work on two bridges has been taken up. The progress on these two bridges is 98%.

(c) The completion of the line will depend on availability of resources in the coming years.

**Translation of Books by Indian Council of Historical Research**

1292. SHRI G. V. RAMA RAO : Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Indian Council of Historical Research got several history books translated into Indian languages for the use of students, researchers and staff in the universities and colleges;

(b) how many books have been translated and how many translations published so far; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor ?

THE MINISTER OF EDUCATION (SHRI K.C. PANT) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c). 86 books have been got translated into different languages. 340