

Telugu Ganga Project

*142. SHRI D.N. REDDY :

SHRI S.M. BHATTAM : Will the Minister of IRRIGATION AND POWER be pleased to State whether Government propose to take up the Telugu Ganga Project as a national project ?

THE MINISTER OF IRRIGATION AND POWER (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND) : No, Sir.

Delinking of Degrees from Jobs

*143. PROF. P.J. KURIEN : Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state :

(a) whether prominent educationists and Vice-Chancellors have expressed divergent views on the delinking of degrees from jobs ;

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

(c) whether Government have worked out the details of this scheme ; and

(d) if so, the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF EDUCATION (SHRI K.C. PANT) : (a) and (b) The Government is examining a proposal for delinking degrees from jobs. Even though the views of educationists or Vice-Chancellors have not been invited on the proposal, many of them have expressed their views on this and other subjects in various forums. Their views and the reactions of others on the subject will be considered at the time of taking a final view on the proposal.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) Does not arise.

Power Target of Sixth Plan

*144. SHRI AMARSINH RATHAWA :
SHRI CHINTAMANI JENA : Will the Minister of IRRIGATION AND POWER be pleased to state :

(a) what was the target fixed for generating power during the Sixth Five Year Plan by each State ;

(b) the achievement made by each State during that period ;

(c) whether the target was achieved, if not, the reasons therefor ; and

(d) the target being fixed for the Seventh plan and allocation of funds made there for each State ?

THE MINISTER OF IRRIGATION AND POWER (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND) : (a) and (b) The State-wise targets and achievements of power generating capacity added during the Sixth plan period is given in the statement below.

(c) Approximately 72% of the target was achieved. The main factors which militated against the target not being achieved were : delay in equipment supply, constraint of funds and weak project management.

(d) The Seventh plan is in the process of finalisation and is yet to be approved by the National Development Council.

Statement

Target and achievement of new generating capacity addition during the Sixth Plan Period (1980—85)

S. No.	State	Target (MW)	Achievement (MW)
1	2	3	4
NORTHERN REGION			
1.	Haryana	454	186
2.	Punjab	672	703
3.	Rajasthan	496	356
4.	Himachal Pradesh	38	21
5.	Jammu and Kashmir	—	—
6.	Chandigarh	—	—
7.	Delhi	—	—
8.	Uttar Pradesh	1972	902
9.	Central	1540	1540
	Sub-Total N. R.	5172	3708
WESTERN REGION			
1.	Gujarat	1175	950
2.	Madhya Pradesh	1488	1170
3.	Maharashtra	2644	2452
4.	Central	630	630
	Sub-Total W. R.	5937	5202
SOUTHERN REGION			
1.	Andhra pradesh	1095	1235
2.	Karnataka	1195	885
3.	Kerala	125	—
4.	Tamil Nadu	630	210
5.	Lakshdweep	—	—
6.	Central	1520	835
	Sub-Total S. R.	4565	3165
EASTERN REGION			
1.	Bihar	725	505
2.	Orissa	560	220
3.	West Bengal	1368	788
4.	D.V.C.	460	210
5.	Sikkim	—	—
6.	Andaman and Nicobar	—	—
7.	Central	210	—
	Sub-Total E. R.	3323	1723

1	2	3	4
NORTH-EASTERN REGION			
1.	Assam	408	268
2.	Arunachal Pradesh	—	—
3.	Manipur	—	—
4.	Meghalaya	—	—
5.	Mizoram	—	—
6.	Nagaland	1	—
7.	Tripura	5	5
8.	Central/N.E.C.	255	155
	Sub-Total N.E.R.	669	428
	TOTAL ALL INDIA :	19,666	14,226

News item captioned "Mentally Retarded Getting Inadequate Attention"

*145. DR. G. S. RAJHANS :

DR. C. S. VERMA : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether the attention of the Government has been drawn to a news item captioned "Mentally retarded getting inadequate attention" appearing in the Hindustan Times dated 7 July, 1985 ;

(b) whether it is a fact that Government are giving attention only to 10 per cent of the mentally retarded patients ; and

(c) if so, the steps Government propose to take for giving adequate attention to all the mentally retarded patients in the country?

MINISTER OF IRRIGATION AND POWER (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND :

(a) to (c) Government have seen the relevant news item, mental retardation is only one form of mental health problems. Efforts so far launched by the Government are directed towards all the facets of mental health problems. Facilities for mental health counselling and treatment are available in Mental Hospitals/Institutions as well as in General Hospitals in most of the States. Taking into account the needs of all the persons requiring assistance for all types of mental disequilibrium, such facilities often fall short of the total requirements. Plans

to develop a structural frame work aimed at providing the basic mental health facilities, through community outreach programmes are contemplated within the resources and priorities of the Seventh Five Year Plan period.

Tariff Agreement with West Bengal State Electricity Board

*146. SHRI GADADHAR SAHA : Will the Minister of IRRIGATION AND POWER be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government are aware that due to differences over the fixation of tariff for the supply of power to the West Bengal State Electricity Board from the Super Thermal Power Station at Farakka, the parties failed to come to an agreement ; and

(b) if so, the steps taken by Government to apply the same principle and rules which were applied by the NTPC for other State Electricity Boards in regard to coming to any tariff agreement with the West Bengal State Electricity Board ?

THE MINISTER OF IRRIGATION AND POWER (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND) : (a) and (b) With exception of West Bengal the other beneficiaries, namely : Bihar State Electricity Board, Orissa State Electricity Board and Damodar Valley Corporation have executed the agreement on the same terms which are under negotiation with West Bengal.