

(b) if not, the impediments to arrive at a decision ;

(c) whether the plant will be set up in the public sector jointly by the Government of India and the State Government of Orissa or by Government of Orissa alone ; and

(d) whether a copy of the feasibility report has been laid on the Table and supplied to the State Government ?

THE MINISTER OF STEEL AND MINES (SHRI MOHAN KUMARAMANG-ALAM) : (a) and (b). Technical examination of the feasibility report is yet to be completed. The investment decision can be taken only after the result of the examination is known.

(c) This will be considered at the appropriate time.

(d) No, Sir.

Appointment of General Managers of Steel Plants in States

*1739. SHRI S. S. MOHAPATRA : Will the Minister of STEEL AND MINES be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government consult the respective State Governments for appointing General Managers of Steel Plants located in their respective States ; and

(b) if not, the reasons therefor ?

THE MINISTER OF STEEL AND MINES (SHRI MOHAN KUMARAMANG-ALAM) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) Appointment to top posts in public sector undertakings including General Managers of the Steel Plants are generally made out of panels of suitable persons drawn from various sources maintained by the Bureau of Public Enterprises for manning such posts. These panels are drawn up by an Empanelment Selection Board specially constituted by the Government in this behalf.

Selection of Posts Under Indian Council of Agricultural Research

*1740. SHRI P. ANTONY REDDY : Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) the total number of posts advertised by

the Indian Council of Agricultural Research during 1970-71 ;

(b) the number of posts for which salary is more than Rs. 2000 ; and

(c) whether there is any proposal to set up an independent body to make selection to the posts under Indian Council of Agricultural Research ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI ANNASAHEB P. SHINDE) : (a) The total number of posts advertised by the Indian Council of Agricultural Research during 1970-71 (from 1st April 1970 to 31st March 1971) was 691.

(b) Two.

(c) No, Sir. The Administrative Reforms Commission has, however, in its Report on Scientific Departments, *inter alia*, recommended that recruitment to Class I posts in all scientific organisations financed from the public funds, should be done through a special wing of the Union Public Service Commission, the Head of which would be an eminent scientist who would be designated as Vice-Chairman of the Union Public Service Commission. This recommendation is at present under examination by the Government of India.

मध्य प्रदेश में उठाऊ सिंचाई योजनाएं

7775. श्री गंगा चरण दीक्षित : क्या कृषि मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) मध्य प्रदेश में उठाऊ सिंचाई की कितनी योजनाएं मफन हुई हैं और उन नदियों तथा स्थानों के नाम क्या हैं जहां ये योजनाएं शुरू की गई हैं ;

(ख) क्या ताप्ती और नर्मदा नदियों के किनारों पर स्थित गावों में ऐसी योजनाएं शुरू की गई हैं अथवा शुरू किये जाने का विचार है ; और

(ग) यदि हां, तो स्थानों के नाम क्या हैं ?

कृषि मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री शेर सिंह) : (क) में (ग) . जानकारी एकत्र की जा रही है और प्राप्त होते ही सभा पटल पर रख दी जायेगी।