

Drinking water in Hilly Areas of Punjab

2670. { Shri Ramachandra Ulaka:
Shri Dhuleshwar Meena:

Will the Minister of Health be pleased to state the latest progress made in regard to the survey of the hilly areas in Punjab by the Special Investigation Division on the scarcity of pure drinking water there?

The Minister of Health (Dr. Sushila Nayar): A statement containing the required information is laid on the Table of the House. [Placed in Library, See No. LT-2816/64].

Irrigation Projects in Maharashtra

2671. { Shri Jedhe: ..
Shri V. T. Patil:
Shri Baswant:

Will the Minister of Irrigation and Power be pleased to state:

(a) the number and the places of the irrigation projects sanctioned for Maharashtra State, starting with the Second Five Year Plan up-to-date;

(b) the number and names of projects completed and commissioned so far;

(c) the projects still in hand and expected to be completed by the end of the Third Five Year Plan; and

(d) the reasons for delay, if any, in execution of the projects in hand?

The Minister of Irrigation and Power (Dr. K. L. Rao): (a) Five Major and 21 medium new irrigation projects have been approved by Planning Commission for Maharashtra State, starting with Second Five Year Plan, List of Projects and Districts, where located, is laid on the Table of the House. [Placed in Library, See No. Lt-2816/64].

(b) Nil

(c) Four projects, viz. Gangapur Stage-II, Bor, Nalganga and Manar

(Phase I) are likely to be completed by the end of 3rd Plan.

(d) There has been no delay in the execution of these projects except in a few cases. Main reasons for the delay are:—

- (i) shortage of material.
- (ii) shortage of technical personnel.
- (iii) shortage of machinery.
- (iv) changes in design.

Famine in Bijapur Distt.

2672. { Shri Vishram Prasad:
Shri D. D. Mantri:
Shri Basumatari:

Will the Minister of Irrigation and Power be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that famine conditions exist in the Bijapur District and some other places in Mysore State due to lack of irrigation facilities;

(b) whether Centre has been approached to take steps in the matter; and

(c) if so, the action taken so far?

The Minister of Irrigation and Power (Dr. K. L. Rao): (a) and (b). Yes.

(c) Upper Krishna Project Stage I has been cleared for execution.

Research Schemes in U.P.

2673. Shri Vishwa Nath Pandey: Will the Minister of Irrigation and Power be pleased to state:

(a) whether any research schemes have been sanctioned by the Central Board of Irrigation and Power in Uttar Pradesh for 1964-65;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the total amount allotted for such schemes during 1963-64?

The Minister of Irrigation and Power (Dr. K. L. Rao): (a) No new Irrigation and Power research schemes have been sanctioned in Uttar Pradesh for 1964-65. However, the following two organisations are