

Venkataraman Committee's Report on State Electricity Boards

7881. **Shri M. S. Murthi:** Will the Minister of Irrigation and Power be pleased to state:

(a) whether the recommendations of the Venkataraman Committee on State Electricity Boards have been implemented fully by all the State Electricity Boards.

(b) if so, the improvement in the financial position of the State Electricity Boards, State-wise?

The Minister of Irrigation and Power (Dr. K. L. Rao): (a) and (b). The recommendations of the Venkataraman Committee as accepted by the Government of India have been communicated to all State Governments/State Electricity Boards for necessary action. In respect of the specific recommendations relating to the improvement of the net return on the capital base, implementation is required to be completed over a period. According to the unaudited figures supplied by the State Electricity Boards for 1966-67, there has been an improvement in the net returns as compared with the actuals of 1965-66, in the case of State Electricity Boards of Andhra, Bihar, Gujarat, Kerala, Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Mysore, Punjab (composite), Uttar Pradesh and West Bengal. In the case of Madras the net return in 1966-67 is of the same order as in the previous year. In regard to the three remaining Boards of Assam, Orissa and Rajasthan, there has been a decrease in the net returns mainly due to further time required for increasing utilisation potential in Assam and to drought conditions affecting power generation in the States of Orissa and Rajasthan.

दिल्ली में लाहौरी गेट के निकट अनधिकृत रूप से बसे हुए घोबी लोग

7882. श्री राम गोपाल शासवाले :
श्री हुकम चन्द कछुवाय :
श्री रघुबीर सिंह शास्त्री :
श्री प्रकाशवीर शास्त्री :
श्री शिवकुमार शास्त्री :

क्या निर्माण, आवास तथा पूर्ति मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) क्या यह सच है कि दिल्ली में लाहौरी गेट, नया बाजार के पीछे रेलवे क्वार्टरों के निकट कुछ घोबियों ने झुगिया बना रखी हैं :

(ख) यदि हां, तो क्या उन्हें वहां से जबरदस्ती हटाया जा रहा है ;

(ग) क्या यह भी सच है कि वहां से हटाने से पहले उन्हें कहीं अन्य भूमि देने का कोई विचार नहीं है ; और

(घ) यदि हां, तो उसके क्या कारण हैं ?

निर्माण, आवास तथा पूर्ति मंत्रालय में उपमंत्री (श्री इकबाल सिंह) : (क) जी हां ।

(ख) इन्हें हटाने का अभी कोई तुरन्त प्रस्ताव नहीं है ।

(ग) और (घ) . जब इस क्षेत्र को सफाई के लिए लिया जायेगा तब झुग्गी-झोंपड़ी हटाने की योजना के अन्तर्गत पात्र व्यक्तियों को वैकल्पिक वास दिया जायेगा ।

Nepal's Request for a Waterway through Ganga

7883. **Shri D. C. Sharma:**
Shri Kanwar Lal Gupta:

Will the Minister of Irrigation and Power be pleased to state

(a) whether Nepal has approached India for a waterway through Ganga.