

an individual village or 1000 population in a group of villages.

(II) *Distance*:-

- (a) *In normal areas*:- The minimum distance from the nearest existing post offices will be 3kms.
- (b) *In hilly, tribal desert and Inaccessible areas*: The distance limit will be the same as above except that in hilly areas, the minimum distance limit can be relaxed by the Directorate in cases where such relaxation is warranted by special circumstances which should be clearly explained while submitting a proposal.

(iii) *Anticipated income*:-

- (a) *In normal areas*:- The anticipated minimum revenue will be 33 1/3% of Est.
- (b) *In hilly, tribal, desert and Inaccessible areas*: The minimum anticipated income will be 15% of the cost.

[English]

**Hydro Electric Projects**

3199. SHRI S. B. SIDNAL: Will the Minister of POWER AND NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES be pleased to state:

- (a) the power potential capacity of Sharda river basin;
- (b) the details of the Tanakpur project in the Sharda river basin; and
- (c) the details of Dhaulti-Ganga hydro electric project in pithoragarh district of Uttar

Pradesh?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF POWER AND NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES (SHRI KALP NATH RAI): (a) As per the studies carried out in the Central Electricity Authority, the hydro-electric potential of the Sharda river has been estimated as 3008 MW at 60% load factor.

(b) Tanakpur Hydro-electric Project in Nainital District of Uttar Pradesh is a run-of-the-river scheme on river Sharda with a generating capacity of 120 MW. The project is expected to generate 460 MUs of electricity in a 90% dependable year. The project is likely to be commissioned in March, 1992.

(c) Dhaulti-ganga Hydro-electric Project, Stage-I, in Pithoragarh District of U. P. is a run-of-the-river scheme with a generating capacity of 280 MW. The project is expected to generate 1134 MUs of electricity in a 90% dependable year. It is likely to be commissioned in Sept' 1998.

**Acquisition of Modern Equipments by Bangalore Airport**

3200. SHRI S. B. SIDNAL: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Bangalore airport has been equipped with modern equipments especially with Non-directional beacon, very high Frequency Directional range. Instrument Landing System and Distance Measuring Equipment;
- (b) if not, the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether there is any plan for expansion of Airports in Karnataka; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof, airport-wise?