

(a) whether there is a proposal for converting Visakhapatnam-Nizamuddin Link Express into a Superfast train; and

(b) if so, the time by which it is likely to be implemented?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI C.K. JAFFER SHARIEF): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

[*Translation*]

Green and White Revolution

3045. SHRI AVTAR SINGH BHADANA:
SHRI SHIVLAL NAGJIBHAI VEKARIA:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have conducted any high level review of the Green and White revolution enforced during the last three years;

(b) if so, the outcome thereof; and

(c) the details of the future plans and schemes to be enforced under these revolutions throughout the country?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI ARVIND NETAM): (a) and (b). The performance of the agricultural development programmes is continuously reviewed and monitored through periodical progress reports/review meeting and also at the time of formulation of Annual Plans. Consequently, the production of foodgrains and other major crops has

increased substantially during the last three years.

As regards white revolution, there is a programme called Operation Flood which is being run by the National Dairy Development Board (NDDB) with the assistance of World Bank and EEC. The progress of this programme is being monitored very closely by Government and also by these international agencies.

(c) The strategy of agricultural development in future will comprise of a regionally more broad-based pattern of growth, efficient utilisation of the created facilities of irrigation, development of rainfed areas and maintaining a continuous flow of economically viable improved technology and inputs. Operation Flood which is currently in its third phase is scheduled till December, 1994. The World Bank and E.E.C. have been requested to extend the programme till March, 1996.

[*English*]

Madan Tank Project

3046. SHRI RAMCHANDRA MAROTRAO GHANGARE: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have accorded clearance to the Madan Tank Project of Wardha District, Maharashtra;

(b) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(c) the steps taken by the Government to clear the project early?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND