

(a) the progress made so far in respect of the survey work for laying railway line between Bilas and Bar in Rajasthan state ;

(b) the time by which work on the proposed line is likely to be started and

(c) whether it will be completed in the Seventh Five Year Plan?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) Survey has been completed for rail line from Bilara (not Bilas) to Bar.

(b) and (c) As per the survey report, this line will not be financially remunerative. In view of severe constraint of resources and heavy commitments already on hand, it is not proposed to take up construction of this line at present.

#### Modernisation of Irrigation in Krishna-Godavari Delta Areas

3706. SHRI K. RAMACHANDRA REDDY : Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Andhra Pradesh Government has submitted Reports or schemes for modernisation of irrigation in Krishna and Godavari Delta areas to the Central Water Commission for clearance;

(b) if so, whether the Central Water Commission has considered these proposals favourably ; and

(c) what is the modernisation that is contemplated by the Andhra Pradesh Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND) : (a) to (c) Andhra Pradesh Government has sent the Project Report on modernisation of Krishna Delta system at an estimated cost of Rs. 220.42 crores in April, 1983. Central Water Commission has sent certain comments to the State Government for clarification. The State Government has also sent the updated

project estimates on Godavari Delta Modernisation Scheme at an estimated cost of Rs. 350 crores recently in October, 1985 for techno-economic clearance by the Central Water Commission.

The modernisation proposals envisage remodelling of the existing canal sections, lining, construction of additional regulators and structures, repairs to existing structures, conjunctive use of surface and ground waters etc.

#### Widening of Roads in Anantapur, Andhra Pradesh

3707. SHRI K. RAMACHANDRA REDDY: Will the Minister of TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware about the necessity of widening the road without strengthening National Highway No. 7, K.M. 95/5 to 115.5 Anantapur-Bangalore Road (from Raptadu to Nagsamudram Gate) and widening the road, National Highway No. 7, K.M. 417 to 421 (near Penukonda-Anjaneyaswami Temple curve) in Anantapur, Andhra Pradesh ; and

(b) if so, whether Government propose to take up this work and complete it expeditiously?

THE MINISTER OF TRANSPORT (SHRI BANSI LAL): (a) and (b) The Hon'ble Member perhaps is referring to the section of the National Highway No. 7 between Km. 363.140 to 395.00 and Km. 417 to 421 with Km. 0 at Hyderabad. Out of these two sections widening of the road without strengthening between Km. 363.140 to 379.00 only finds place in the current budget. Accordingly, this work is likely to be taken up in near future. The remaining kilometers will be considered for widening in due course depending upon the inter-se priority and availability of funds.

#### Fleet of Ships for Handling Foreign Trade

3708. SHRI V. TULSIRAM : Will the Minister of TRANSPORT be pleased to state :