

(a) whether the National Mineral Development Corporation proposes to set up any plant in Andhra Pradesh using the minerals available there as raw material; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STEEL AND MINES (SHRI K.C. PANT) (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

*(Translation)*

Drinking water for Jhunjhunu from Indira Gandhi Canal

3774. SHRI MOHD. AYUB KHAN : Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) whether a scheme to provide drinking water from the Indira Gandhi Canal was approved long ago;

(b) if so, the reasons for not implementing the scheme so far; and

(c) when the drinking water would be made available under this scheme to people in Jhunjhunu district in Rajasthan?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI RAMANAND YADAV) : (a) and (b) Indira Gandhi Canal is primarily an Irrigation project which has a provision of supply of 300 cusecs for drinking water in Stage I of the Project which is almost complete. Part withdrawals for drinking water supply out of the 300 cusecs allotted for this purpose, is reported to be made by the State Government. Stage-II of the Project was approved in April, 1986. This provides 900 cusecs of water for drinking and other non-irrigation uses through six lift irrigation schemes along the main canal.

Provision of drinking water is a State subject and States are responsible for planning, formulating and implementing all rural water supply projects. Some survey works and earth-work have been

reported to have been undertaken for the lift schemes by State Government.

(c) Jhunjhunu district is not covered by the Indira Gandhi Canal Project.

*(English)*

Project for promotion of films in regional languages

3776 PROF. NARAIN CHAND PARASHAR : Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state :

(a) whether any project for the promotion of films (feature or documentaries) in regional languages not included in the 8th Schedule of the constitution has been drawn up by Government of the National Film Development Corporation of India for the Seventh Plan period;

(b) if so, the names of languages selected for this purpose and the other details of the scheme; and

(c) if not, whether such a project is proposed to be drawn up?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI A.K. PANJA) : (a) to (c) No specific project of the type mentioned by the Hon'ble Member has been drawn up either by the Government of India or the National Film Development Corporation for the Seventh Plan period. There is also no proposal to draw up such a project. However, the Films Division has a scheme for production of 16 mm. featurettes in some regional languages and dialects including those not included in the VIII Schedule to the Constitution. The National Film Development Corporation finances films in all languages and dialects whether or not included in the VIII Schedule to the Constitution, on application made by private producers, provided the script has the potential of being made into a good film.

Quality control on D.M.S. products

3777. PROF. NARAIN CHAND PARASHAR : Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :