

(b) and (c). Irrigation is a State subject and funds for irrigation projects are provided by State Governments from within their Plan outlays.

The plan outlay for Mysore for 1971-72 is Rs. 70 crores, out of which Central assistance is Rs. 34.6 crores. The outlay proposed for major and medium irrigation projects is Rs. 13.97 crores.

Non-utilisation of irrigation Potential created by Rajasthan canal

216. SHRI M. M. JOSEPH : Will the MINISTER IRRIGATION AND POWER (SINCHAI AUR VIDYUT MANTRI) be pleased to state :

(a) whether Rajasthan Government are suffering heavy losses due to non-utilisation of irrigation potential created by the Rajasthan Canal;

(b) if so, the details thereof and reasons therefor; and

(c) the steps taken by Government to convert these losses into gains ?

THE MINISTER OF IRRIGATION AND POWER (SINCHAI AUR VIDYUT MANTRALAYA MEN UP-MANTRI) (SHRI B. N. KUREEL) : (a) : No, Sir. The actual utilisation has in fact been more than that envisaged in the 1969 Project Report. The utilisation of irrigation potential created on major irrigation projects, like Rajasthan Canal, always takes place progressively. The progress depends upon the availability of perennial water, development of the commanded area etc, Rajasthan Canal would receive perennial supplies on completion of Beas Dam at Pong by 1973-74. The work on development of the area is also in progress.

(b) and (c). Do not arise.

Manufacture of Consumer goods in Public Sector

218. SHRI R. S. PANDEY: Will the MINISTER OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT (AUDYOGIK VIKAS MANTRI)

be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government propose to set up industrial units in the public sector to manufacture consumer goods to remove the present monopoly of production of such goods by the private sector;

(b) if so, details of the scheme; and

(c) whether the Central Government have also asked the state Government to set up industries in the public sector for manufacturing consumer goods so that the goods could be made available to the people at cheaper rates ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT (AUDYOGIK VIKAS MANTRALAYA MEN UP-MANTRI) (SHRI SIDDHESHWAR PRASAD) : (a) and (b). It is intended that the role of the public sector would, in the future, be extended even beyond the industries specifically reserved for the public sector in the Industrial Policy Resolution of 1956 and would extend to projects relating to various products, including consumer industries where major production gaps are likely to arise in the coming years. With this end in view, some proposals for the manufacture of certain consumer goods in the public sector are under consideration and the techno-economic feasibility of some of these schemes is being worked out.

(c) In addition to public sector projects directly under the aegis of the Central Government the state Industrial development corporations are also examining proposals to set up industries, some of which relate to consumer goods.

Deteriorating Quality of Cars

219. SHRI R. S. PANDEY: Will the MINISTER OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT (AUDYOGIK VIKAS MANTRI) be pleased to state :

(a) whether the quality of the cars has much deteriorated in spite of the increase in their prices allowed to the manufacturers; and