

रेल मंत्री (श्री के० हनुमन्ताय्या): (क) जी नहीं। ये इंजन विद्युत्कीन खंडों की आवश्यकताएँ पूरी करने के लिए बनाये जा रहे हैं।

(ख) प्रश्न नहीं उठता।

**Kalamwadi Dam Project in Maharashtra**

1892. SHRI NIMBALKAR : Will the Minister of IRRIGATION AND POWER be pleased to state :

(a) whether work on the Kalamwadi dam in Kolhapur district in Maharashtra is progressing according to schedule;

(b) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(c) what is the schedule for completing the work ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF IRRIGATION AND POWER (SHRI B. N. KUREEL) : (a) to (c). The Kalamwadi (Dudhganga) Project proposed by the Government of Maharashtra lies in the Krishna basin. The water disputes of the Krishna river and its valley, between the States of Maharashtra, Mysore and Andhra Pradesh are at present under adjudication by the Krishna Water Disputes Tribunal. The Government of India do not consider it appropriate to give clearance to any new projects in the basin when the water disputes are under consideration of the Tribunal.

It is understood from the Government of Maharashtra that they propose to start work on the scheme with foundations to widths envisaged in the project report, but restricting the storage to water which is at present being utilised for crops on the banks of Dudhganga river.

The Government of Maharashtra have reported that detailed investigations for foundation strata and materials of construction are in progress and that work on the dam proper cannot be undertaken unless these investigations and designs based on the results there of are completed. They have also stated that it is proposed to complete

the work in five years after commencement depending on the timely availability of the requisite funds and machinery.

**Development of High Speed on Trains**

1893. SHRI K. RAMAKRISHNA REDDY : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) the plans for developing high speed on Indian Railways; and

(b) the present speed of Mail and Express trains and the speed proposed to be achieved ?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI K. HANUMANTHAIYA) : (a) and (b) The planning so far is for attaining maximum permissible speeds upto 160 kmph for long distance Mail/Express trains on the Indian Railways and that too in a phased manner. The following trains have been speeded up from 1st November, 1971 :

1	1 UH and 2 DN Howrah-Delhi Kalka Mail.	100 Kmph to 110 Kmph.
2	3 DN and 4 UP Frontier Mail New Delhi-Bombay Central.	— do —
3.	1 DN and 2 UP Bombay-Howrah <sup>1</sup> Mail.	— do —
4.	15 DN and 16 UP Grand Trunk Express New Delhi — Madras Central.	— do —
5.	Rajdhani Express New Delhi-Howrah.	120 Kmph to 130 Kmph.

It is proposed to introduce Rajdhani Express between New Delhi and Bombay Central at a maximum permissible speed of 120 Kmph shortly.