

The Minister of Works, Housing and Urban Development (Shri Mehr Chand Khanna)(a) and (b). The various social Housing Schemes are being implemented through the State Government. The Government of Kerala propose to set up a State Housing Board for implementation of these Schemes and to establish housing units in three Districts of the State. The names of the towns have not yet been decided.

(c) No.

(d) and (e). Proposals in this connection will be formulated after the setting up of the Housing Board.

Drinking Water Scarcity in Kozhikode

**2604 Shri A. K. Gopalan :
Shri Imbichibava :**

Will the Minister of **Health and Family Planning** be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that drinking water scarcity is acute in Kozhikode Corporation due to drought conditions ;

(b) whether the Corporation has sought any help for the establishment of more tube-wells in Kozhikode ; and

(c) if so, the reaction of Government thereto ?

The Minister of Health and Family Planning (Dr. Sushila Nayyar) :(a) Yes.

(b) Yes.

(c) The Government of Kerala have sanctioned the construction of two tube-wells.

Electricity Supply to Kerala from Mysore

**2605. Shri A. K. Gopalan :
Shri Imbichibava :**

Will the Minister of **Irrigation and**

Power be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Kerala Government requested the Government of Mysore for the supply of Electric power to meet the power shortage in Kerala ;

(b) whether the Government of Mysore have agreed to supply electricity to Kerala ;

(c) if so, how much power they have supplied to Kerala during the last six months and at what rate ;

(d) whether it is a fact that the Government of Mysore did not fulfil their promise ; and

(e) if so, the reasons therefor ?

The Minister of Irrigation and Power (Shri Fakhruddin Ahmed) :

(a) Yes.

(b) Yes, on a temporary basis.

(c) About 50 Million units of power was transmitted through the Madras grid to Kerala. The rate claimed by the Madras Government is 13 paise per unit, but the Kerala State Electricity Board has been paying at 12 paise per unit, pending final decision regarding the rate.

(d) No.

(e) Does not arise.

Government Press, Koratti

**2606. Shri A. K. Gopalan :
Shri Imbichibava :**

Will the Minister of **Works, Housing and Urban Development** be pleased to state :

(a) whether the erection work of the Government Press at Koratti, Kerala, has been completed ;

(b) if so, when ;

(c) whether the Manager and the staff of the Press have been transferred to Coimbatore ; and

(d) if so, the reasons therefor ?

The Minister of Works, Housing and Urban Development (Shri Mehr Chand Khanna) (a) and