

### Functioning of IIM, Indore

3482. SHRI SUSHIL CHANDRA : Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

- the present stage of functioning of Indian Institute of Management, Indore;
- the number of students admitted so far during the current year;
- the total investment on this institution-i.e. non-recurring, recurring etc.;
- the role of the State Government in Management of Institute; and
- the intake capacity of the institute and the criteria and mode of selection of students and also of the teaching staff?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MUHI RAM SAIKIA): (a) to (e) The Government have approved the establishment of an Indian Institute of Management (IIM) at Indore with a total cost of Rs. 43.10 crore during 8th and 9th Plan period for recurring and non-recurring expenditures and have taken several steps to operationalise it. The first academic session is commencing from July, 1997 with an intake capacity of 60 students and the students are being admitted through Common Admission Test, 1996. The general superintendence, direction and control of the affairs of the institute is vested with the Board of Governors in which the State Government of Madhya Pradesh is represented. The teaching staff shall be recruited as per the established procedures.

[Translation]

### Upper Project on Narmada

3483. SHRI FAGGAN SINGH KULESTE : Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state :

- whether an upper project is proposed on the river Narmada near the village Rina Tola in tribal tehsil 'Dindoti' of Mandla district in Madhya Pradesh;
- if so, the details of the said project; and
- when work on the said project is proposed to be started and the target fixed for its completion?

THE MINISTER OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI JANESHWAR MISHRA) : (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. The State Government has forwarded the project report of Upper Narmada Project to the Central Water Commission in 9/96 for techno economic appraisal. The Project envisages construction of a composite dam of maximum height of 30.64 metre and total length of 2.12 Km. near

village Rina Tola of Mendla District of Madhya Pradesh. The Ultimate Irrigation Potential is 18,610 hectares.

(c) According to the Project Report construction on the project is proposed to be started in 1996-97 and scheduled to be completed in six years.

[English]

### Diversion of Brahmaputra Water

3484. DR. PRABIN CHANDRA SARMA : Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state :

- whether there was a proposal few years back to divert the river water of the Brahmaputra to the mainland of the country to curb the flood havocs in Assam and to make available water for irrigation in other states;
- if so, the details thereof;
- whether the Union Government propose to implement the said proposal; and
- if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI JANESHWAR MISHRA) : (a) to (d) A pre-feasibility report was prepared which envisages a barrage across the river Brahmaputra at Jogighopa in India and a link canal taking off from the barrage passing through Assam, Bangladesh and West Bengal, outfalling into Ganga upstream of Farakka Barrage. The feasibility report for the proposal has not been taken up further.

### N.Hs in A.P.

3485. SHRI R. SAMBASIVA RAO : Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state :

- whether during the period of cyclone and rains in 1996 in Andhra Pradesh, all the major roads were damaged,
- if so, the total loss suffered by the State on account of this;
- whether all the damaged roads have since been repaired;
- if so, the total cost/expenditure involved therein; and
- the Central assistance provided for the purpose?

THE MINISTER OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI T.G. VENKATRAMAN) : (a) As far as National Highways, which are the responsibility of the Central Government, Cyclonic storms of October and November, 1996 caused damaged to parts of NH-5 and NH-18.

(b) Estimates amounting to Rs. 6 crores to cover the repair needs of the entire National Highway network in the State including the cyclone affected parts have been sanctioned.

(c) As far as repairs are concerned, urgent repairs have been carried out and the National Highways maintained in traffic worthy condition.

(d) and (e) A sum of Rs. 4 crores has been released so far to the State Government of Andhra Pradesh.

[Translation]

#### Bridge over Yamuna in Allahabad, U.P.

3486. DR. AMRIT LAL BHARTI : Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state :

(a) whether any amount has been sanctioned for construction of bridge over Yamuna river in district Allahabad of Uttar Pradesh;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the time by which the construction work of the said bridge is likely to be started; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI T.G. VENKATRAMAN) : (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. The sanctioned amount is Rs. 100.36 crores.

(c) and (d) Supplementary feasibility studies have since been carried out. After completion of the detailed design and tendering process, the construction of the bridge is targetted to start in September, 1998.

[English]

#### Special Grant for Narmada Project

3487. SHRI RAM NAIK : Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is fact that the Union Government had decided to give special grant of Rs. 90 crores to Gujarat Government for Narmada Project;

(b) if so, the reasons that promoted Union Government to sanction special grant;

(c) whether the Gujarat Government has been asked to prepare three years time bound plan to complete the Sardar Sarovar Canal and distribution system up to Mahi; and

(d) if so, the present position of the canal and the distribution system?

THE MINISTER OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI JANESHWAR MISHRA) : (a) and (b) No, Sir. Union Government has not provided any special grant of Rs. 90 crores to Gujarat for Narmada Project. However, Central loan assistance of Rs. 95 crores has been approved for Sardar Sarovar Project in Gujarat under Accelerated Irrigation Benefits Programme launched by the Government of India during 1996-97 with a view to expedite the completion of the Project.

(c) and (d) No, Sir. However, the works of Narmada Main Canal for the Reach o to 264 Kilometres are in progress. The Works of distributories in varjous blocks are also in progress.

#### Standard of Education in MCD Primary Schools

3488. SHRI JANG BAHADUR SINGH PATEL : Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether attention of the Government has been drawn to the news item captioned "Cash-strapped MCD for private role in primary education" appearing in the 'Hindustan Times' dated February 14, 1997; and

(b) if so, the facts thereof and reaction of the Government thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MUHI RAM SAIKIA) : (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. The said news item speaks of a suggestion for adoption/sponsorship of some Primary Schools functioning under Municipal Corporation of Delhi (MCD) by Corporate Houses, Public Sector Undertakings, etc., in view of lack of adequate funds. The MCD have reported that no decision have been taken in the matter.

#### Visa for Indian Tourists

3489. SHRI SULTAN SALAHUDDIN OWAIISI :

KUMARI UMA BHARATI :

SHRI PANKAJ CHOWDHARY :

SHRI VIJAY PATEL :

SHRI MAHENDRA SINGH BHATI :

SHRI SATYA DEO SINGH :

DR. T. SUBBARAMI REDDY :

Will te Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether India and United States of America share reciprocal arrangement for issuing visas;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether India has switched over to issue passport valid for ten years and twenty five years;

(d) if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether US has mooted a proposal for ten years visa for Indian tourists and travellers;

(f) if so, the details of the proposal; and

(g) the time by which this proposal is likely to be finalised?

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI I.K. GUJRAL) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.