

taking further action to disburse the assistance.

Scarcity of Water in Tamil Nadu for Irrigation Purposes

*102. SHRI S. SINGARAVADIVEL: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is scarcity of water for irrigating land in the Cauvery Delta in Thanjavur district of Tamil Nadu;

(b) whether there is any demand from the Government of Tamil Nadu for getting water from Karnataka;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the steps proposed to be taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF WATER RESOURCES AND MINISTER OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI MANUBHAI KOTADIA): (a) Government of Tamil Nadu has complained that the construction of dams in the upper reaches by Government of Karnataka has resulted in scarcity of water for irrigation.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) Tamil Nadu has requested for release of at least 20 Thousand Million Cubic feet (TMC) of water from Government of Karnataka.

(d) Tamil Nadu Government has filed the application for relief in this matter before the Tribunal, set up by the Centre in June 1990.

[*Translation*]

Reorganisation of Post Master General's Office in Rajasthan

*103. PROF. RASA SINGH RAWAT: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) the number and names of postal regions established in Rajasthan under the structural reorganisation of the Post Master General's Office;

(b) whether the Post Master General Headquarters, Eastern Region, Ajmer is still functioning at Jaipur;

(c) if so, the reasons therefor and the time by which this office is likely to start functioning at Ajmer; and

(d) the names of the districts in Rajasthan which have been brought under the administrative control of this office at Jaipur?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (DR. SANJAY SINGH): (a) to (c). There are now three postal regions in Rajasthan namely Eastern Region, Western Region and Jaipur Region from March, 1990. Earlier there was a composite Eastern Region at Jaipur which has now been divided in two region both functioning from Jaipur itself. The question of shifting the Headquarters of Eastern Region has been reviewed. It is now decided to shift it to Ajmer from 1st February, 1991.

(d) The following districts of Rajasthan are served by the Eastern Region:-

1. Ajmer
2. Banswara
3. Bhilwara
4. Bundi
5. Chittorgarh
6. Dungarpur
7. Jhalawar
8. Kota
9. Tonk
10. Udaipur