

LOK SABHA

Monday, November 28, 1960/  
Agrahayana 7, 1882 (Saka).

The Lok Sabha met at Eleven of the  
Clock.

[MR. SPEAKER in the Chair]

MEMBER SWORN

Shri Ramrao Narayanrao (Jalna).

ORAL ANSWERS TO  
QUESTIONS

Expenditure on Indus Basin Waters  
Treaty

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\*493. { Shri Ram Krishan Gupta:  
Shri S. A. Mehdi:  
Shri P. G. Deb:

Will the Minister of Irrigation and  
Power be pleased to state:

(a) the total amount spent by India  
in connection with the discussions  
held over Indus Basin Waters Treaty;

(b) how much was contributed by  
the World Bank; and

(c) how much is in foreign ex-  
change out of the amount spent?

The Deputy Minister of Irrigation  
and Power (Shri Hathi): (a) The  
total expenditure up to the end of  
September, 1960, is Rs. 60 lakhs ap-  
proximately.

(b) No part of this expenditure was  
contributed by the World Bank. How-  
ever, the Bank has spent about 1.2  
million dollars on its own staff em-  
ployed on the Indus negotiations.

(c) Equivalent of Rs. 25 lakhs ap-  
proximately.

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Shri Ram Krishan Gupta: May I  
know the approximate amount of ex-  
penditure which was incurred in  
Washington for continuing the dis-  
cussions?

Shri Hathi: The expenditure on  
officers and staff, including that on  
legal adviser, was Rs. 34,59,000; and  
for delegations going abroad about  
Rs. 24 lakhs.

Shri Chintamani Panigrahi: May I  
know whether any progress has been  
achieved in settling the river disputes  
with Pakistan so far as Eastern India  
is concerned?

Shri Hathi: On the eastern side?  
There were two meetings held recent-  
ly and there has been exchange of  
data.

Shri Braj Raj Singh: May I know  
whether an equal amount was also  
contributed by Pakistan in meeting  
the amount which has already been  
spent on this Indus Basin Waters  
Treaty?

Shri Hathi: They must have spent  
on their own account. We have no  
figures as to what they have spent.

Shri Chintamani Panigrahi: May I  
know whether it is a fact that after  
this dispute of canal waters was over,  
Pakistan has objected to the construc-  
tion of the Ganga Barrage so far as  
India is concerned?

Shri Hathi: That does not arise out  
of this question at least. But exchange  
of data has taken place.

Mr. Speaker: They can do so inde-  
pendently.

Shri Tyagi: May I know if, after the  
Treaty has been arrived at, the de-  
partment and the staff are still con-  
tinuing? are they still being paid, or  
have they been disbanded?