

mated at current exchange rates to be as follows:

	(Rs. crores)	
	Repayment of Principal	Payment of Interest
1992-93	3326	3692
1993-94	4001	3780
1994-95	4363	3748

Promotion of Urdu by Bureau for promotion of Urdu

*34. MAULANA OBAIDULLAH KHAN AZMI: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Bureau for promotion of Urdu has failed to act as an effective body and to achieve its goal of promotion of Urdu;

(b) whether Jafri Committee on Urdu has also expressed its dissatisfaction on the functioning and efficacy of the Bureau; and

(c) if so, what action Government propose to take in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ARJUN SINGH): (a) and (b) In the Report of the Jafri Committee to examine implementation of Recommendations of Gujral Committee for promotion of Urdu, laid on the Table of Rajya Sabha on 25.7.91, the Committee, inter-alia, had reviewed the functioning of Bureau for promotion of Urdu. The Committee felt that, as a Subordinate office of the Department of Education, the Bureau has not been able to discharge its functions effectively. The Committee has accordingly suggested that the status of the Bureau should be changed to an autonomous body in order to arm it with functional freedom and enhanced financial powers.

(c) The Report of Jafri Committee is under process as per procedure

Super Thermal Power Project at Mangalore Pending Environmental Clearance

*35. SHRI J. P. JAVALI: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the 2,400 M. W. Super Thermal Power Project at Mangalore, a joint sector Indo-U.S.S.R project is pending for a long time for environmental clearance; and

(b) if so, what are the reasons for the delay?

THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI KAMAL NATH):

(a) and (b) The project proposal was first referred in July, 1985 but rejected due to non submission of requisite environmental data. Revised proposal was again submitted in August, 1990 with inadequate data. Complete details on rehabilitation, fly ash management and implications of the proposed Mulki dam are awaited from the project authorities.

Dreaded Disease "Kaposi Sarcome" in the Country

*36. SHRI GHUFRAN AZAM: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention have been drawn to a press news-item captioned "Dreaded disease kills one in Madhya Pradesh" as reported in the Hindustan Times of the 16th August, 1991;

(b) if so, whether a new dreaded disease "Kaposi Sarcome" which is prevalent only in Africa has reached the country and is believed to be an incurable disease;

(c) if so, whether the Union Government propose to send a team of