

ब्लाक ऋणों और ब्लाक अनुदानों के रूप में दी जाती है और यह विकास के किसी क्षेत्र अथवा विशिष्ट परियोजनाओं से सम्बद्ध नहीं होती।

छठी योजना के दौरान, बिहार में 16 बृहद् और 44 मध्यम सिंचाई परियोजनाएं निर्माणाधीन हैं और पिछले तीन वर्षों के दौरान इन परियोजनाओं के अन्तर्गत आने वाली नहरों का निर्माण किया जाता रहा है। राज्य द्वारा वार्षिक योजना, 1983-84 के विचार-विमर्श के लिए भेजी गई सूचना के अनुसार, इन सभी परियोजनाओं से पिछले तीन वर्षों, अर्थात् 1979-80 से 1981-82 के दौरान कुल मिलाकर 157,400 हेक्टेयर अतिरिक्त सिंचाई क्षमता सृजित की गई है और इनसे चालू वर्ष 1982-83 के दौरान 94,750 हेक्टेयर की और क्षमता सृजित होने की संभावना है। केन्द्रीय सरकार ने अतिरिक्त नहरों के निर्माण के लिए बिहार सरकार को कोई निर्देश जारी नहीं किए हैं, क्योंकि यह कार्य राज्य सरकार का है।

Manmad Mudkhed Broad Gauge Line

1018. SHRI VITHALRAO MADHAV-RAO JADHAV: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the extent of work completed for the conversion project of Manmad Mudkhed metre gauge line into broad gauge line; and

(b) whether the Manmad Mudkhed broad gauge line is economically feasible, if not, what are the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI A. B. A. GHANI KHAN CHAU-DHURI): (a) and (b) The conversion of the Manmad-Aurangabad M.G. section (114 Kms.) into B. G. has been taken up as a first phase of the Manmad-Parbhani-Paili Vajjnath conversion project which is already an approved work. The work on the section beyond Aurangabad up to Par-

bhani-Parli Vajjnath is proposed to be taken up in the next phase. Between Manmad and Ankai earth work is in progress as also some preliminary activities in connection with the bridges as also some works in the Aurangabad Yard. The cost of conversion of Manmad-Aurangabad section is approximately Rs. 30.93 crores. The expenditure upto the end of 1982-83 is expected to be of the order of Rs. 2.83 crores of which the outlay in 1982-83 was Rs. 1 crore while in 1983-84 the proposed outlay in 1982-83 was Rs. 1 crore while in 1983-84 the proposed outlay is Rs 1.01 crores. There is severe constraint of fund which does not permit allocation of larger amounts to this project.

Preliminary engineering-cum-traffic survey in 1976 for conversion of Parbhani-Mudkhed section from M.G. to B.G. in continuation of the Manmad-Parli Vajjnath line conversion indicated that the project was not financially viable. A re-appraisal and updated survey for this section has been approved recently.

Fast by Tamil Nadu Chief Minister

1019. SHRI B. D. KHOBRAGADE: Will the Minister of FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Central Government are not allotting adequate quantity of foodgrains to Tamil Nadu;

(b) whether it is a fact that Tamil Nadu Chief Minister had gone on fast against the alleged step-motherly treatment to that State in the supply of foodgrains; and

(c) if so what steps are being taken to supply adequate quantities of foodgrains to that State?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (SHRI BHAGWAT JHA AZAD): (a) to (c) A statement showing allotment of foodgrains to Government of Tamil Nadu during the year 1982 and up to March, 1983 is attached.

Allotment of foodgrains, to the various States, including Tamil Nadu, is made on a month to month basis having regard to

the overall availability of stocks in the Central Pool, relative needs of the various States, stocks already with the States, market availability and other related factors. As a result of the monthly reviews of the requirements of the various States, the allocations are increased[decreased. The allocations from the Central Pool are only supplemental in nature to the open market availability. Every effort however, is

made to meet the food requirements of all the States, including Tamil Nadu, to the maximum possible extent, on an equitable basis.

The Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu was reported to have undertaken a fast to press his demand for allocation of rice from the Central Pool.

Statement

Allotment of foodgrains from Central Pool to Tamil Nadu during the year 1982 and upto March, 1983

(in '000 tonnes)

Month	Allotment		Rice	Total
	Wheat			
	PDS	Mills		
1982 :				
January	4.0	30.0	30.0	84.0
February	4.0	30.0	40.0	74.0
March	4.0	30.0	35.0	69.0
April	4.0	30.0	35.0	69.0
May	4.0	30.0	35.0	69.0
June	4.0	30.0	..	34.0
July	4.0	30.0	..	34.0
August	4.0	30.0	..	34.0
September	4.0	31.0*	..	35.0
October	4.0	30.0	..	34.0
November	4.0	30.0	..	34.0
December	4.0	30.0	..	34.0
TOTAL	48.0	361.0	195.0	604.0
1983 :				
January	4.0	30.0	..	34.0
February	4.0	30.0	..	34.0
March	4.0	30.0	..	34.0
TOTAL	12.0	90.0	..	102.0

PDS=Public Distribution System.

Mills=Roller Flour Mills,

*Includes 1,000 tonnes for festivals.