

†[Farakka Barrage Project

1134. SHRI GURUDEV GUPTA: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND IRRIGATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the reports appearing in a section of the Press to the effect that an international gang is active to sabotage the Farakka Barrage Project; and

(b) if so, what steps Government have taken in this regard]?

कृषि और सिंचाई मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री

(श्री भानु प्रताप सिंह) : (क) जी हाँ।

(ख) फरक्का बराज परियोजना की सुरक्षा की आवश्यकता के प्रति सरकार पूरी तरह से सजग है और इस संबंध में सभी आवश्यक कदम उठाए जा रहे हैं।

†[THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND IRRIGATION (SHRI BHANU PRATAP (SINGH)): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The Government is fully aware of the need for the protection of the Farakka Barrage Project and all necessary steps in this regard are being taken.]

Discontinuance of development work in colonies handed over to the MCD

1135. SHRI DHARAMCHAND JAIN:

SHRI DAYANAND SAHAYA:

SHRI SITARAM KESRI:

Will the Minister of WORKS AND HOUSING AND SUPPLY AND REHABILITATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the DDA has discontinued development work in the colonies handed over to the Municipal Corporation of Delhi on the 1st April, 1978; and

(b) if so, what are the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF WORKS AND HOUSING AND SUPPLY AND REHABILITATION (SHRI SIKANDAR BAKHT): (a) Yes, Sir.

†[] English translation.

(b) The Jhuggi Jhonpri Removal Scheme has been transferred from Delhi Development Authority to Municipal Corporation of Delhi with effect from 1st April, 1978. The execution of all development works in these colonies have been discontinued by Delhi Development Authority and is looked after by Municipal Corporation of Delhi.

Life expectancy in India

1136. SHRI DHARAMCHAND JAIN:

SHRI DAYANAND SAHAYA:

SHRI SITARAM KESRI:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) what is the present average life expectancy of males and females in the country; and

(b) what steps Government propose to take to increase the average life expectancy by providing hygienic environment?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI JAGDAMBI PRASAD YADAV): (a) The expert committee on population projections has estimated that the expectation of life at birth for males and females will be 52.62 years and 51.55 years respectively as on 1st September, 1978.

(b) Various health programmes such as Rural Health Programmes, Control of Communicable Diseases immunisation etc. have been undertaken by the Government which will help to increase average life expectancy.

Use of residential premises for commercial purposes

1137. SHRI DHARAMCHAND JAIN:

SHRI DAYANAND SAHAYA:

SHRI SITARAM KESRI:

Will the Minister of WORKS AND HOUSING AND SUPPLY AND REHABILITATION be pleased to state: