

**Irrigation Projects in Vidarbha
Region in Maharashtra**

1288. SHRI DEORAO PATIL : Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND IRRIGATION be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Central Government have received a representation from the Maharashtra Government to expedite clearance of certain irrigation projects in the Vidarbha region of the State; and

(b) if so, the details thereof ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND IRRIGATION (SHRI KEDAR NATH SINGH) : (a) Request was received from the Government of Maharashtra for the early clearance of 1 major and 8 medium projects pertaining to Vidarbha region of the state.

(b) A statement giving the details of these projects is attached.

Statement

Name of Project	Estimated cost (Rs. lakhs)	Benefits (Thousand Hectares)	Present position of examination
MAJOR			
1. Pench	2371.89	61.92	Located in Godavari basin, the sharing of waters of which is under adjudication by a Tribunal.
MEDIUM			
1. Chaina Nadi	121.70	2.23	—do—
2. Rangpur Tank	39.63	0.82	—do—
3. Labansarad	93.28	1.82	—do—
4. Makardhokra	131.48	3.08	—do—
5. Pothra	165.19	6.31	—do—
6. Lower Pus	490.37	9.68	—do—
7. Uma	121.41	2.24	Comments sent by Central Water Commission to State on 22.8.74. Replies from State awaited.
8. Paldhag	107.33	2.42	Comments sent by Central Water Commission to State on 3.10.74. Replies from State awaited.

**Machhu Canal Near Vankaner in Rajkot
District Gujarat**

1289. SHRI IBRAHIM KALANIYA : Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND IRRIGATION be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government are aware about the recent damage to the Machhu Canal near Vankaner in Rajkot District in Gujarat;

'b) if so, what are the reasons therefor;

(c) what is the loss of water as a result thereof; and

(d) the action Government have taken against the persons responsible for this damage?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND IRRIGATION (SHRI KEDAR NATH SINGH) :

(a) to (d) The Government of Gujarat have reported that there has been some damage in the main canal of Machhu Project and as a result thereof 1.5 M. CFT of water was lost. The State Government are ascertaining the reasons for the damage by detailed enquiry and further necessary action will depend upon the result of the enquiry.

1290. [Transferred to the [11th December, 1974]

Kadana Dam Project

1291. SHRI IBRAHIM KALANIYA : Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND IRRIGATION be pleased to state :

(a) the year in which Kadana Dam Project was sanctioned;