

**Amount spent on maintenance of Crossbar Exchanges**

\*808. SHRI LOKANATH MISRA :  
SHRI K. P. SINGH DEO :

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state the amount spent in the last three years on the maintenance of the various crossbar exchanges in the country ?

THE MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI BRAHMANANDA REDDY): Information is not readily available. The same will be collected and placed on the Table of the Rajya Sabha.

**Financial Assistance to Flood affected States**

\*809. SHRI VISWANATHA MENON:  
SHRI BHOLA PRASAD :  
SHRI B. D. BARMAN :  
SHRI S. KUMARAN :  
DR. Z. A. AHMAD :

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) the number of deaths that occurred and other loss suffered during the recent floods in different States ; and

(b) whether the Central Government have given any financial assistance to State Governments for relief measures; and if so, what are the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI UMA SHANKAR DIKSHIT): (a) According to available information received from the States, 280 persons are said to have lost their lives during the recent floods. Precise final information regarding the other losses sustained is awaited.

(b) the question of financial assistance to States for relief measures would be considered in the light of the recommendations of the Sixth Finance Commission and the precise final information regarding losses when received.

**बिहार स्थित मुशहरी में तापीय बिजली घर**

\*810. ड० रामकृपाल सिंह : क्या सिंचाई और विद्युत मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि बिहार में मुजफ्फरपुर के समीप मुशहरी खंड में एक तापीय बिजली घर की स्थापना करने का कोई प्रस्ताव सरकार के विचाराधीन है ; और

(ख) यदि हां, तो उसका व्यौरा क्या है ?

†[Thermal Power House in Mushhari in Bihar

\*810. DR. RAMKRIPAL SINHA: Will the Minister of IRRIGATION AND POWER be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that there is a proposal under Government's consideration to set up a thermal power house in Mushhari block near Muzaffarpur in Bihar; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof ?]

सिंचाई और विद्युत मंत्री (श्री के० सी० पन्त) : (क) और (ख) बिहार राज्य बिजली बोर्ड ने मुजफ्फरपुर में 110/20 मेगावाट के दो यूनिटों के प्रतिष्ठापन के लिए एक परियोजना रिपोर्ट भेजी थी। विद्युत उत्पादन तथा पारेषण की अन्य प्रस्तावित स्कीमों के साथ उस पर उचित विचार करने के उपरांत इस स्कीम को पांचवीं पंचवर्षीय योजना में सम्मिलित नहीं किया गया था।

†[THE MINISTER OF IRRIGATION AND POWER (SHRI K. C. PANT): (a) and (b) The Bihar State Electricity Board had submitted a project report for the installation of two units of 110/120 MW at Muzaffarpur.

†[ ] English translation.