

Government for transhipment of food grains?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MOHD SHAFI QURESHI) (i) No

(b) The number of indent placed and wagons loaded during August to November 1972 were as indicated below

|  | Number of indents placed | Number of wagons loaded |
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| (i) Rice from Orissa to West Bengal          | 537                      | 513                     |
| (ii) Wheat from Visakhapatnam to West Bengal | 390                      | 388                     |

#### Damage to Ukai Hydro Electric Power House

1226 SHRI YOGENDRA MAKAWAN  
SHRI IBRAHIM KALANIYA

Will the Minister of IRRIGATION AND POWER be pleased to state

(a) whether the Ukai Hydro electric Power house is damaged due to water leakage at the Ukai reservoir

(b) if so, what is the extent of damage to the Ukai dam and to the power plant and if in dam is a result thereof

(c) what was the scheduled time for commissioning of the Hydro electric project and how long it is delayed due to recent damage and

(d) what are the details of the report of the expert team sent to Ukai by the Central Government

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF IRRIGATION AND POWER (PROF. SIDDHESHWAR PRASAD) (a) and (b) As a result of water leakage through the gate shaft the generating unit No. IV the generating plant and auxiliary equipment of Unit No. I got damaged. The extent of damage is being assessed. There is no damage to the Dam

(c) The Unit No. 1 which was scheduled to be commissioned in January 1971 will now be delayed by about three months

(d) The Central team that inspected the site has recommended improvements to the gate shaft

#### Kosi Project

1227 SHRI M. K. MEHIA Will the Minister of IRRIGATION AND POWER be pleased to state

(a) the cost of the Kosi Project estimated originally and

(b) the number of times the estimated cost was revised, the final cost estimated and reasons for the revision in the cost of the project

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF IRRIGATION AND POWER (PROF. SIDDHESHWAR PRASAD) (a) The Kosi Project was originally estimated to cost Rs. 4176 crores

(b) The estimate was proposed to be revised by the State Government four times but no revised estimate has been sanctioned so far

The cost of the latest revised estimate (1972) is Rs. 11164 crores. The main reasons for revision in the estimated cost of the Project are

1. General rise in the cost of materials, land and labour wages over the period,

2. construction of water courses upto 10000

additional distributaries from the main canal

3. extra expenditure on flood protection and anti-corrosion measures

4. inescapable payments to Nepal on account of land acquisition

5. construction of additional bridges; and

6. construction of silt ejector and silting basin