

availability of power and its requirements in the Punjab during the Fourth Plan:

- (i) It is proposed to establish a large thermal power station at Badarpur (Delhi) with an initial capacity of 3x120 MW. Some of this power will be utilised to meet the additional load demands of this State.
- (ii) After the power programme of Fourth Plan is finalised, further steps will be taken to make up the shortage of power in Punjab.

†AVOIDANCE OF DOUBLE TAXATION
BETWEEN INDIA AND FRANCE

*171. SHRI NIRANJAN SINGH: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state whether agreement has been reached for avoidance of double taxation between the Governments of India and France and whether the balance of trade which was unfavourable to India has since improved?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI RAMESHWAR SAHU): No agreement has so far been concluded between the Governments of India and France for the avoidance of double taxation of income. The balance of trade between India and France continues to be unfavourable but at a lower level.

अन्तर्राज्य बहूदेशीय नर्मदा परियोजना

*349. श्री गुरुदेव गुप्त : क्या सिंचाई तथा विद्युत् मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) अन्तर्राज्य बहूदेशीय नर्मदा परियोजना को कार्यरूप में परिणत करने के बारे में क्या स्थिति है ; और

(ख) क्या मध्य प्रदेश, महाराष्ट्र और गुजरात की सरकारों का इस सम्बन्ध में कोई समझौता हो गया है ?

[INTER-STATE MULTI-PURPOSE NARBADA
PROJECT

*349. SHRI GURUDEV GUPTA: Will the Minister of IRRIGATION AND POWER be pleased to state:

(a) what is the position with regard to the implementation of Inter-State Multi-purpose Narbada Project; and

(b) whether the Governments of Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra and Gujarat have arrived at an agreement in this regard?]

सिंचाई तथा विद्युत् मंत्री (डा० के० एल० राव) : (क) समिति ने अपनी रिपोर्ट अभी प्रस्तुत नहीं की है। आशा है कि यह रिपोर्ट शीघ्र ही प्रस्तुत कर दी जाएगी।

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†[THE MINISTER OF IRRIGATION AND POWER (DR. K. L. RAO): (a) The Committee has not yet submitted its report. It is likely to be submitted soon.

(b) No; Sir.]

L.I.C. SENIOR SERVICE COMMITTEE

*350. SHRIMATI SHAKUNTALA PARANJPYE: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to lay on the Table of the House a copy of the report of the Senior Service Committee, known as Lall Committee, appointed for fixing the seniority and the grades of Officers of the Life Insurance Corporation; and