

SHRI D. P. KARMARKAR: May I also add that the governing body of the Institute, which is naturally concerned with this problem and which is a scientific body, will go into this matter. It has eleven members—three are laymen and eight are scientists, and most of the scientists are members of the earlier committee. Among them are Dr. Pandit, who is the top Director in medical research. Dr. Jhalla, who is the Head of the Haffkine Institute and scientists of that calibre. We shall specially request the technical members to go into this matter and to tell us the right and wrong about it.

DR. M. D. D. GILDER: Is the hon. Minister aware that deaths from the use of Penicillin have been reported in other parts of the world also?

SHRI D. P. KARMARKAR: I think more deaths are reported there than here.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Questions are over.

WRITTEN ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS

SPEECH BY THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS

*216. **DR. A. N. BOSE:** Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state whether it is a fact that at a meeting held under the auspices of the Hindi Association of Parliament and the Delhi Branch of the Rashtrabhasha Prachar Samiti held on September 13, 1959, he said that Hindi was the national language of India?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI JAGJIVAN RAM): The speech was delivered in Hindi and the terms used in Hindi were 'Rajya Bhasha' and 'Rashtra Bhasha' more or less, in the sense of the official language.

BAHUDA AND VAMSADHARA PROJECTS

*218. **SHRI DIBAKAR PATNAIK:** Will the Minister of IRRIGATION AND POWER be pleased to state:

(a) the stage at which the Inter-State River Valley Projects, Bahuda

and Vamsadhara, are at present pending execution;

(b) when the work on the projects will start; and

(c) which of these two projects will be taken up by the State Governments concerned?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER OF IRRIGATION AND POWER (SHRI J. S. L. HATHI): (a) to (c). A statement is laid on the Table of the Sabha.

STATEMENT

(i) *Bahuda*.—The Government of Orissa requested the Central Water and Power Commission to take up detailed investigations of this Project. An estimate for carrying out investigations of the Bahuda Project was prepared by the Central Water and Power Commission and forwarded to the State Government for their concurrence. The Government of Orissa have now intimated that investigations will be carried out by their own engineers.

(ii) *Vamsadhara*.—The Central Water and Power Commission have completed the detailed investigations of the Project at Gudari Site and the draft investigation report has been sent to the Governments of Andhra Pradesh and Orissa for consideration.

It is now for the two States to come to an agreement about the proposed dam at Gudari Site. Thereafter the Andhra Pradesh Government will modify the Vamsadhara Project report suitably and submit it to the Commission for examination.

BREAKING OUT OF FIRE IN KRISHI BHAVAN

*224. **SHRI P. A. SOLOMON:** Will the Minister of FOOD AND AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a fire broke out in Krishi Bhavan, New