

MACTAQUAC POWER STATION

Sizable hydro-electric stations built recently in Canada include the New Brunswick Electric Power Commission's Mactaquac Station on the Saint John River. Three 100,000 kilowatt units are already in operation and three more will be installed as required. The Mactaquac dam is a compacted rockfill

structure, 1,700 feet long and 180 feet high. The concrete intake structure, two spillways and the powerhouse are incorporated in rock on the left bank of the river. The dam provides a net head of 116 feet and has created a reservoir with total storage capacity of more than a million acre-feet.

RELIEF TO PAKISTAN

The freighter Malam Jabbar left Montreal recently carrying about 3,000 tons of relief supplies to Chittagong, East Pakistan as part of the second stage of Canada's \$2-million program to help disaster victims in that region.

Its cargo included corrugated-steel sheets, nails, blankets, evaporated and powdered milk, baby food, canned beef, and medical supplies sent by the Canadian International Development Agency to support the work of recovery and rehabilitation among survivors. Space was also made available for several hundred tons of supplies contributed by voluntary agencies working across Canada.

The cyclone and tidal wave of November 12 and 13 affected about a quarter of East Pakistan's 70 million people, taking a heavy toll of life and ruining crops, fields and homes over a wide area of the coast region. In the days following this massive tragedy, the Canadian Armed Forces carried out a 200-ton airlift as the first stage of Canada's emergency relief program, designed by CIDA to meet immediate needs of the survivors. By the end of November, 13 Canadian flights had rushed top-priority items, including urgently-needed blankets, medicines, food

and drugs from Trenton, Ontario halfway around the world to Dacca, East Pakistan's capital.

Canada's relief effort includes, besides official grants of cash and shipments of supplies, many kinds of help provided by individual Canadians and a large number of voluntary organizations. Important contributions have been made by the Canadian Red Cross Society CARE, UNICEF, World Vision of Canada, OXFAM, provincial governments and many church organizations.

FEDERAL AID FOR QUEBEC HOUSING

The Federal Government and the government of the province of Quebec have concluded administrative arrangements for the Federal Government to make available \$150 million during the fiscal year 1970-1971 to enable Quebec to undertake a number of housing projects for families of low and moderate income, the elderly and handicapped children. The total cost of the programs is estimated at \$180 million.

The announcement was made recently by Mr. Robert Andras, federal Minister responsible for Housing and Mr. Maurice Tessier, Minister of Muni-