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(a) The electricity generated from the first two units (2X220 MWe) of Rajasthan Atomic Power Station presently in operation is being supplied totally to Rajasthan. The benefits to the State of Rajasthan are the development of industry and agriculture associated with the availability of additional electricity from these plants and the consequent generation of employment opportunity.

(b) Two more units of 235 MWe each are under construction. Government have also decided to set up 4 additional units of 500 MWe each at the same site.

(c) No, Sir. Regulations are laid down and precautions observed and monitored to ensure this.

[English]

Accident of test model for INSAT-II series

3228. SHRI H.C. SRIKANTIAH: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the test model for the INSAT-2 series hit a telephone cable and fell on the ground while being unloaded from a truck;

(b) if so, when it happened and the details of damage caused;

(c) whether it will affect the INSAT-2 launch schedule; and

(d) the estimated cost of damage?

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OGY AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT (PROF. M.G.K. MENON):

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) On 13th June, 1989, when the structure of the INSAT-II TS Structural Model was being transported by an open truck to the integration area within ISRO Satellite Centre to be integrated into a Structural Model a small projecting bracket at the top of the model got entangled with a temporary overhead telephone cable. This caused the structure to topple over, resulting in minor damage to a few structural parts and panels of the model which were immediately repaired.

(c) No, Sir. The schedule is not affected due to this accident as this was only a test model and not a flight mode. Further tests on the test model were continued after repairing the minor damages.

(d) The estimated cost of repair is Rs. 1.87 lakhs only.

Crash of MIG-27 Plane in Meerut

3229. SHRI R.N. RAKESH: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether a MIG-27 plane had crashed in Meerut on 2 March, 1990 as reported in "The Hindustan Times" dated 3 March, 1990;

(b) if so, the details causes thereof;

(c) the estimated loss of property;

(d) the number of persons killed and injured; and

(e) whether any inquiry has since been conducted in this regard and if so, the details thereof?