Allotment of Land to Ranjit Sagar Dam Oustees

9879. SHRIMATI SUKHBUNS KAUR: Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Ranjit Sagar Dam oustees have not been given alternative land for building their residential quarters; and
- (b) if so, the time by which Government propose to allot land to these oustees and where?

THE MINISTER OF ENERGY AND MINISTEROF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI ARIF MOHAMMAD KHAN): (a) and (b). The proposal for rehabilitation of Ranjit Sagar Dam oustees are under process.

[Translation]

Allotment of Petrol Pumps and LPG Agencies to SC/ST

9880. SHRI CHHEDDI PASWAN: SHRI SOMJIBHAI DAMOR:

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of petrol pumps and LPG agencies as on 31st March, 1990, Statewise:
- (b) the number of petrol pumps and LPG agencies allotted to Scheduled Castes

and Scheduled Tribes out of them; separately;

- (c) whether the agencies allotted are as per quota for SC/ST persons;
- (d) if not the reasons therefor and the action taken to fulfil the same; and
- (e) the time by which the quoto of SC/ ST will be filled up?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS (SHRI M. S. GURU-PADASWAMY): (a) and (b). The required information is furnished below in the statement.

(c) to (e). While drawing up the annual marketing plans for award of dealerships/ distributorships, 25% reservations are earmarked for SC/ST categories. This policy was made uniformly applicable to all oil companies only in 1977, although IOC had introduced 25% reservation for SC/ST in the case of their 'A' site retail outlets from 1974 onwards. There has been some shortfall in the achievement of this quota since the time it has been uniformly made applicable in all oil companies in 1977 due to nonavailability of suitable candidates and poor response to advertisements. In such cases, when the dealership/distributorship cannot be commissioned under the SC/ST categories in a particular marketing plan, the same is taken care of through the subsequent marketing plans to ensure this reservation. The Oil Selection Boards have been requested to give top priority in the selection of candidates belonging to these categories.