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the port area in an area of 80 hectares at an estimated cost of Rs.3.44 lakhs.

## 4. Urjagram Project

Four villages, namely Dakamavi, Duvvapalam, Kotanarva and villes Thimmapuram have been identified under the Government of India's Urjagram project and energy surveys completed.

## 5. Wind Energy

- a. Wind Survey:- One wind ,monitoring station was set up in Bhimunipatnam of Visakhapatnam District during September 1988. Data is being collected for estimating wind potential.
- b. Wind Mapping Project:- Two wind mapping stations-one at Vaddadi and another at Narasingapalli were set up and the data is collected for preparation of wind climatology.

No proposal has been yet made for setting of any wind power project in Visakhapatnam district.

## Train between Hyderabad and Parli

5390. SHRI M. BAGA REDDY: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is any proposal to introduce a fast passenger train from Hyderabad to Parli, via Vikarabad and Bidar;
  - (b) if so, when
- (c) whether the Government are aware that the arrival and departure timings of the present two trains running on this rout e are most inconvenient to the passengers; and
- (d) if so, the steps proposed to be taken to adjust the timings of these trains?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MAL-LIKARJUN): (a) No, Sir.

- (b) Does not arise.
- (c) Schedules of both the passenger trains viz. 347/348. Secunderabad-Parlivaijnath and 349/350 Hyderabad-Parlivaijnath are considered convenient to the passengers.
  - (d) Does not arise.

## **DESU Billing System**

5391. SHRI TARA CHAND KHANDEL-WAL: Will the Minister of POWER AND NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether attention of the Government has been drawn to the news-item captioned "DESU losing crores every month" appearing in the Indian Express dated August 9, 1991;
- (b) if so, the facts thereof and whether the DESU has changed its billing system from bi-monthly to four monthly meter reading system;
- (c) if so, whether this new billing system is causing losses to DESU; and
- (d) if so, the steps proposed to be taken to rectify the situation?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF POWER AND NON-CON-VENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES (SHRI KALP NATH RAI): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Under the present system of the Delhi Electric Supply Undertaking (DESU), bills to the domestic consumerr are sent on bimonthly basis and to the non-domestic/industrial consumers on monthly basis. A bill on actual matter reading basis is prepared every four months and a bill on provisional basis is sent in between for two months based on past consumption in the case of domestic consumers. The system of four monthly meter reading adopted by DESU requires number of Meter Readers.