

[English]

Scarcity of Coal in Power Stations

3133. SHRI SANDIPAN BHAGWAN THORAT: Will the Minister of POWER AND NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) the stock position of coal in the power stations in the country during the months of January and February 1992 as compared to the corresponding period last year;

(b) whether the coal stock supply position is bad due to non-availability of financial support from the State Electricity Boards, and

(c) if so, the steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government to normalise the position?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF POWER AND NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES (SHRI KALP NATH RAI): (a) The coal stock position of coal based thermal power stations in the country during January and February, 1992, as compared to the corresponding period of last year, is given below:—

(Figs. in '000' tonnes)

<i>Coal Stocks at the beginning of</i>		
	<i>January</i>	<i>February</i>
1991	3082	2685
1992	3541	3576

(b) There is no adverse impact on the coal stocks and supply of coal to thermal power stations because of the non-availability of financial support from the

State Electricity Boards.

(c) The position of quantity and quality of coal supply to various thermal power stations in the country is being regularly reviewed by a high level Committee and remedial action is taken by concerned organisations.

[Translation]

Opportunities on Akashvani/Doordarshan to Allopathic Doctors

3134. SHRI PANKAJ CHOWDHRY: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether opportunities on Akashvani and Doordarshan are being provided to allopathic doctors, the public awareness about diseases and their cure;

(b) whether Government propose to provide similar opportunities to homeopathic and ayurvedi vaidas also;

(c) if so, by when; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (KUMARI GIRIJA VYAS): (a) to (d). Opportunities are being provided by All India Radio and Doordarshan to Allopathic and Homeopathic Doctors and Ayurved Vaidas to participate in their health programmes.

Extraction of Lead and Zinc in States

3135. SHRI BHERU LAL MEENA:
SHRI RAM NARAIN BERWA:

Will the Minister of MINES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the lead and zinc is being extracted in Rajasthan, Andhra Pradesh and Orissa by the Hindustan Zinc Limited;

(b) if so, the names of places in each State and extent of achievement made against the target fixed during each of the last three years;

(c) if not, the steps being taken to meet the demand in full including the details of places in States where exploratory efforts are being made for this purpose; and

(d) the progress made in setting up of zinc smelting plant in Chittorgarh, Rajasthan?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF MINES (SHRI BALRAM SINGH YADAV): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Information on State-wise mining of lead and zinc ore during the last three years by Hindustan Zinc Limited is given in the attached Statement.

(c) The present production of Zinc is sufficient to meet the indigenous demand in the country. As far as Lead is concerned, the following steps have been taken to meet the demand gap:—

- (i) De-licensing of secondary sector
- (ii) Decanalisation of imports.
- (iii) Exploration by Hindustan Zinc Limited. Geological Survey of India and Mineral Exploration Corporation at following places in the country:—

Hindustan Zinc Limited:

Ghugra in Rajasthan and

Dhukonda in Andhra Pradesh.

Geological Survey of India

Rajasthan : North and South Sindesarwar area, Tikhi and Sawarkhera, Kayar area, Rupheli Agucha, Akola Dariba area and Zawar extension.

Tamil Nadu : Rasipuram, Attur Taluk, Salem District.

Madhya Pradesh : Joga-Tamekhan area in dolomites of Bijawar area.

Uttar Pradesh : Tons Valley area.

Himachal Pradesh : Purbani area in Kinnaur, Uchich, Parvati Valley, Kulu District

Arunachal Pradesh : Shergaon, West Kameng District

Sikkim : Rorathang-Namjang Jamthang area in outer Himalaya

Mineral Exploration Corporation Limited

Devpura (Rajasthan)
Askote (U.P.) Zawar (Rajasthan) and Dhukonda (A.P.)

(d) The integrated Zinc-Lead Smelter of Hindustan Zinc Limited has already been completed during the current year as per schedule.

STATEMENT

Lead-zinc Ore Production by Hindustan Zinc Limited

(In 000 tonnes)

Name of State/Mines	Mine Production						
	1988-89		1989-90		1990-91		Target Achievement
	Target	Achievement	Target	Achievement	Target	Achievement	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
Rajasthan							
Zawar Minies (Zinc-Lead)	1065	1030	1065	987	1065	1045	
Rajpura Dariba Mine (Zinc-Lead)	450	382	450	385	540	512	
Andhra Pradesh							
Agnigundala Mine (Lead)	63	56	72	62	72	63	
Orissa							
Sargipalli Mine (Lead)	120	111	127	113	135	138	