

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRIMATI MARGARET ALVA): (a) and (b). No, Sir. However, based on the surveys conducted by the National Institute of Oceanography, Goa, since 1982, in the Central Indian Ocean Basin, a Mine site was identified earlier and a site measuring 1,50,000 sq. km. was allotted to India in 1987, by the International Seabed Authority.

(c) The mine site is located outside India's Exclusive Economic Zone.

(d) Does not arise in view of (a) and (b) above.

Performance by Public Sector Undertakings

2403. SHRIMATI VASUNDHARA RAJE: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether some public sector undertakings have improved their performance during the year 1991-92, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether some of these Public Sector Undertakings are likely to come out of red by the end of the current financial year;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the steps taken to improve the performance of these units?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI P.K. THUNGON): (a) to (c). As per the available information upto 1990-91, nine PSEs who had made losses during the previous year have earned profits. These are:

1. Maharashtra Elokilummet Ltd.
2. Viveesvarayya Iron Ltd.
3. Northern Coalfields Ltd.

4. Pyrites, Phosphates & Chemicals Ltd.
5. Mazagon Dock Ltd.
6. NEPA Ltd.
7. Air India Charters Ltd.
8. National Building Concn. Corpn. Ltd.
9. Spices Trading Co. Ltd.

(d) Enterprise specific action is taken by the concerned administrative Ministry/Department or the Management of the enterprises to improve the performance of the loss making PSEs. These are modernisation, upgradation of technology, improvement of product mix, financial and managerial restructuring of the PSE etc.

Industrial Growth Centres in Raichur and Dharwar, Karnataka

2404. SHRI OSCAR FERNANDES: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether any proposal for establishment of Industrial Growth Centres at Raichur and Dharwar in Karnataka is pending with the Union Government; and

(b) if so, the time by which this proposal is likely to be cleared?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (PROF. P.J. KURIEN): (a) No Sir,

(b) Does not arise.

Foreign collaborations

2405. SHRI K.P. SINGH DEO: SHRIMATI SUMITRA MAHAJAN: SHRI RAMNAGINA MISHRA:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state: