under DISIR during the emergency except economic offenders and those involved in violent acts.

ऊर्जा का उत्पादन भ्रौर मांग

- 86. श्री नारायण कृष्ण शेजवलकर : क्या अर्जा मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :
- (क) गत दो वर्षों में ऊर्जा के उत्पादन और उसकी मांग में कितनी वृद्धि हुई : श्रीर

(ख) मांग की तुलना में उत्पादन कितना कम रहा?

कर्जा मंत्री (श्री पी॰ रामबन्द्रन):
(क) ग्रीर (ख) पिछले तीन वर्षों के
दौरान विद्युत् कर्जा की निवल मांग तथा
उत्पादन केन्द्र बस बार पर विद्युत् उत्पादन
तथा उसके मुकाबले विद्युत् में कमी नीचे
दी जाती है। 1974-75 से 1975-76
में तथा 1975-76 से 1976-77 में
मांग ग्रीर उत्पादन में हुई वृद्धि की प्रतिशतता
भी नीचे दी जाती है: ---

(सभी आंकड़े मिलियन यूनिटों में दिए गए हैं)

	मांग में वृद्धि मांग की प्रतिशतता		उत्पादन में उत्पादन वृद्धिकी प्रतिशतता		कमी
1974-75	80255	4.05	65546	13.8	14709
1975-76	83508		74609 74609		8899
1976-77	88482	5.09	83266	9.61	5216

Payment of Pension to Freedom Fighters

87. SHRI ANNASAHEB GOTKHIN-DE: Will the Minister of HOME AF-FAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) the monthly and annual expenditure being incurred by the Government on payment of pension to freedom fighters; and
- (b) the State-wise figures of bogus pensioners that have come to the notice of Government so far and the action taken against them?

THE MINISTER OF HOME AF-FAIRS (CHAUDHURI CHARAN SINGH): (a) The figures of annual expenditure on payment of pension to freedom fighters are as under: —

Yea		Actual expendi- ture			
					(Rs. in crores)
72-73			•	•	0.63
73-74				•	16.32
74-75		•	•	•	22.96
75-76				•	24.11
76-77	•	•	•	•	25.00 (anticipa- ted)

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The avearge monthly expenditure during the year 1976-77 is about 2.01 grores.

(b). Complaints have been received fighters against individual freedom that they have managed or are trying to get pension by furnishing incorrect and false information/evidence. Such complaints are examined promptly with reference to the available records and in doubtful cases a reference is made to the State Government concerned for verification and early report. In cases, where there is a strong presumption that the freedom fighter is not entitled to get pension, action is taken immediately to suspend the pension pending further investigation. If on completion of the enquiry, the pension is found to be wrongly obtained, it is cancelled and necessary action regarding recovery is taken. Where it is found that the person concerned adopted fraudulent means to obtain pension, State Governments are asked to consider the desirability of prosecuting the person concerned.

A statement showing the number of complaints received, cases in which pension has been suspended, number of cases in which pension has been stopped or restored and the number of cases pending disposal statewise is laid on the Table of the House. [Placed in Library. See No. LT-104/77].

Set up in Andaman & Nicobar Islands

- 88. SHRI MANORANJAN BHA-KTA: Will the Minister of HOME AF-FAIRS be pleased to state:
- (a) whether Government propose to provide popular set up in the Union Territory of Andaman & Nicobar Islands; and
 - (b) if so, what will be the pattern?

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (CHAUDHURI CHARAN SINGH): (a) and (b). The Government has yet to take a decision in the matter.

Industries in Andaman and Nicobar Islands

- 89. SHRI MANORANJAN BHAK-TA: Will the Minister of INDUS-TRY: be pleased to state:
- (a) whether Government propose to set up more industries in the buck-ward areas; and
- (b) if so, whether any special consideration will be given to the entrepreneurs to set up industries in Andaman and Nicobar Islands?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI BRIJLAL VERMA): (a). Yes, Sir.

(b) The Andaman and Nicobar Islands have been declared as an industrially backward area and special incentives like financial assistance on concessional terms, relief in incometax, free technical consultancy services, subsidy on fixed capital investment, transport subsidy etc. are available to the entrepreneurs setting up industries in Andaman and Nicobar Islands. Benefits under the Rural Industries Project Programme are also available to these entrepreneurs.

Amnesty to Political Prisoners

- 90. SHRIMATI BIBHA GHOSH GOSWAMI: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:
- (a) whether Government propose to declare an amnesty to all political prisoners detained and convicted in all the States in the country;
- (b) whether all warrants of arrests will be withdrawn and cases instituted against workers and leaders of political parties will be withdrawn; and
- (c) whether sentences of all women political prisoners will be commuted and they will be freed?