

(b) names of the districts facing more power shortage; and

(c) steps taken by the Government to solve the problem?

**THE MINISTER OF ENERGY (SHRI P. RAMACHANDRAN):** (a) The current power situation in Gujarat is generally satisfactory. However, power supply to rural feeders was restricted during peak hours from February to April, 1977 due to outage of Tarapur Atomic Power Station.

(b) Mehsana and Sidhpur Districts in North Gujarat have faced power shortages of varying extent in the past.

(c) Two units of 120 MW each have been recently commissioned at Gandhinagar Thermal Station in North Gujarat. With the stabilisation of these two units, the power position in the State including North Gujarat will improve further.

#### Setting up of T.V. stations

3397. **SHRI AHMED M. PATEL:** Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) the number of television stations proposed to be set up during the next three years; and

(b) the names of places where these television stations are proposed to be set up?

**THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI L. K. ADVANI):** (a) Seven.

(b) Two full-fledged Television Stations with programme originating facilities are proposed to be set up at Hyderabad and Jullundur. In addition, it is proposed to set up 5 Transmitting Centres at Gulbarga, Sambalpur, Muzaffarpur, Kanpur and Masoorie.

#### रावत रेजीमेंट

3398. **श्री स. ए. के. शारदा :** क्या रक्षा मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या रावत जाति के नौजवानों को भर्ती कर 'रावत रेजीमेंट' नामक रेजीमेंट बनाया गया था ;

(ख) यदि हां, तो क्या उक्त रेजीमेंट को अब समाप्त कर दिया गया है ; और

(ग) यदि हां, तो बेरोजगार हुये उक्त रावत नौजवानों को रोजगार देने के लिए सरकार के विचाराधीन योजना का ब्यौरा क्या है ?

**रक्षा मंत्री (श्री जगजीवन राम) :**

(क) जी नहीं। सेना में कभी भी 'रावत रेजीमेंट' नाम की कोई रेजीमेंट नहीं बनाई गई है।

(ख) और (ग). प्रश्न नहीं उठते।

#### U.S. Cooperation for Development of Energy in India

3399. **SHRI PRASANNBHAI MEHTA:** Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have received any information from the U.S. regarding their cooperation in the development of energy in India;

(b) if so, whether any delegation is being sent to the U.S. for agreement;

(c) the extent to which U.S. cooperation will be forthcoming during the current year; and

(d) whether any schemes have been prepared by the Indian Government in this regard?

**THE MINISTER OF ENERGY (SHRI P. RAMACHANDRAN):** (a) No, Sir. However, possibilities of fostering mutually advantageous cooperation in science and technology