

Oil exploration in U. P.

1326. DR. KRUPASINDHU BHOI : Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state :

(a) whether experiment for oil exploration in Uttar Pradesh is going on at present;

(b) whether deposits of oil and gas have been found at any place in the State; and

(c) the amount spent on each project ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI CHANDRA SHEKHAR SINGH) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) No. Sir.

(c) Till 31st March, 1985, the amount spent on exploratory drilling is about Rs. 6.28 crores.

Central investment in public sector undertakings

1327. SHRI BHATTAM SRIRAMAMURTY : Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state :

(a) the investment made by the Union Government in public sector undertakings in Andhra Pradesh and other States up-to-date;

(b) the per capita basis of such investment in public sector undertakings in different States; and

(c) the investment on the new projects which are likely to come up during the Seventh Five Year Plan in various States ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM) : (a) Presumably the Hon'ble Member is referring to investments of Central Public Enterprises in the different States. The details of investment of Central Public Enterprises represented by gross-block etc. state-wise including Andhra Pradesh as on 31.3.1985 are available in the Table 1.16 at page 11 of the Public Enterprises Survey

1984-85 Volume-I placed on the Table of the House on 27.2 1986.

(b) Central investments are not decided on a per capita basis in the various States.

(c) The location of industrial projects is decided on techno-economic feasibilities and cannot be pre-determined on State-wise basis.

Electrification using Solar Energy

1328. SHRI R. M. BHOYE : Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state :

(a) the number of villages in the country which have been electrified using solar energy; and

(b) the number of villages State-wise going to be electrified during 1986 ?

THE MINISTER OF ENERGY (SHRI VASANT SATHE) : (a) Upto the end of January 1986, 187 villages have been electrified using solar energy mainly through the provision of street lighting units and other community facilities.

(b) The State-wise targets for 1986 are being worked out.

Allocation of Kerosene to Maharashtra

1329. SHRI R. M. BHOYE : Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state :

(a) the details regarding the monthly allocation of Kerosene to Maharashtra during 1985 and the actual position of lifting of Kerosene by that State;

(b) the details regarding the basis of allocation;

(c) the demand of Maharashtra for monthly allocation expected in 1986 and the allotment likely to be made to Maharashtra State; and

(d) the steps Government have taken to meet the requirements of Maharashtra ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND