

(b) if so, the composition and the terms of reference of this committee ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The composition and the terms of reference of the Committee are given in the statement below.

Statement

The Composition of the Study Group on Public Distribution System for the metropolitan cities is as follows :

1. Smt. Pratibha Patil,
Member of Parliament (Rajya Sabha)
2. Shri M. Palaniyandi,
Member of Parliament (Rajya Sabha)
3. Shri Bhanu Pratap Singh,
Member of Parliament (Lok Sabha)
4. Smt. Phulrenu Guha,
Member of Parliament (Lok Sabha)
5. Shri S.K. Govil,
Consultant, Planning Commission, New Delhi.
6. Shri Surinder Singh,
Secretary, Food and Civil Supplies Deptt., Government of Uttar Pradesh, Lucknow.
7. Shri C.D. Arha,
Secretary, Food and Civil Supplies Deptt., Government of Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad.
8. Shri D.K. Singh,
Joint Secretary, Deptt. of Civil Supplies, Ministry of Food and Civil Supplies, New Delhi.

The Terms of Reference of the Study Group are :

- (i) To study the present status of the functioning of the Public Distribution System in the metropolitan Cities;

- (ii) To suggest a comprehensive package for ensuring efficient management of the Public Distribution System in Metropolitan Cities.

Proposal for Production of High-Tech Products by Indian Petro-Chemicals Corporation Ltd.

1186. SHRI C. MADHAV REDDI : Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Indian Petro-Chemicals Corporation Limited has submitted any proposals to the Government for the production in a phased manner of several new high-tech products; and

(b) if so, what are the products planned and what would be the additional capital cost of the expansion/diversification ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF CHEMICALS AND PETRO-CHEMICALS IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI R.K. JAI-CHANDRA SINGH) : (a) and (b). Indian Petro-Chemicals Corporation Limited has submitted a proposal to the Government for the setting up of R and D Pilot Plant of 12 TPA capacity for the manufacture of Carbon Fibre and Associated Product Application Development Centre. It is estimated that the capital cost of the project will be around Rs. 23 crores. The carbon fibre will be used in the high technology areas like defence, space, aviation, automotive, etc.

Loss to Neyveli Lignite Corporation Ltd. due to late deliveries by certain Firms

1187. DR. V. VENKATESH : Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state :

(a) whether M.A.N. of West Germany and WMI both have failed to pay the sum of Rs. 1.18 crores so far to the Neyveli Lignite Corporation Limited, Neyveli, Tamil Nadu towards the defective Bucket Wheel Excavators of 1400 litres capacity each;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the action taken against the management of Neyveli Lignite Corporation Limited for their failure to adopt necessary measures earlier against the said firms ?

THE MINISTER OF ENERGY (SHRI VASANT SATHE) : (a) and (b). A claim has been made on M.A.N./WMI for Rs. 1.18 crores towards the cost of rehabilitation of the damaged Bucket Wheel Excavator. The claim was made soon after rehabilitation of the Excavator. M.A.N. have not so far accepted to pay this amount.

(c) Does not arise.

Construction of Warehouses

1188. SHRI AMARSINH RATHAWA : Will the Minister of FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government propose to construct more warehouses in public sector or in private sector during the current year; and

(b) if so, the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD) : (a) and (b). The Food Corporation of India, Central Warehousing Corporation and 16 State Warehousing

Corporations together are expected to construct additional storage capacity of 13.65 lakh tonnes during the current year in the public sector. Of this capacity, 7.00 lakh tonnes is proposed to be constructed by the Food Corporation of India, 2.15 lakh tonnes by the Central Warehousing Corporation and 4.50 lakh tonnes by the State Warehousing Corporations.

Plant Load Factor in Power Generating Projects

1189. SHRI GADADHAR SAHA : Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state the details of the plant load factor in various power generating projects in the country; State-wise during the last three years, year-wise and project-wise ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF POWER IN THE MINISTRY OF ENERGY (SHRIMATI SUSHILA ROHTAGI) : A statement showing the State-wise and Project-wise Plant Load Factor of thermal power stations during 1983-84, 1984-85 and 1985-86 is given below.

Statement

Plant Load Factor of the Thermal Power Stations from 1983-84 to 1985-86

Thermal Power Station	PLF(%)		
	1983-84	1984-85	1985-86
1	2	3	4
Central Sector	54.8	55.4	61.9
Badarpur	48.7	47.9	46.0
Singrauli STPS	55.7	59.3	68.8
Korba STPS	62.7	52.2	74.4
Ramagundam STPS	—	57.4	72.1
Neyveli	74.2	77.0	74.9
Chandrapura (DVC)	54.3	52.8	47.1
Durgapur (DVC)	35.0	40.3	52.6