

**Location :**

Watch Factory, Bangalore, Karnataka.

Watch Factory, Srinagar, J and K.

Watch Factory, Tumkur, Karnataka.

Watch Factory, Ranibagh, U. P.

Watch Assembly and Quartz Analogue Watches, Bangalore, Karnataka.

(b) The number of watches manufactured in each of the factories during the year 1984-85 is given below :

	(Nos. in lakhs)
Unit	1984-85
Bangalore	8.09
Srinagar	5.12
Tumkur	20.00
Ranibagh	0.03
Watch Assembly and Quartz Analogue Watches, Bangalore	10.85
<b>Total :</b>	<b>44.09</b>

(c) There is a great demand for HMT Watches in the country and some demand from countries with high Indian expatriate population.

(d) Following are among the steps taken to increase the production of watches :

- (i) Modernisation and expansion of Bangalore and Srinagar factories.
- (ii) The new HMT Watch Factory set up at Ranibagh has commenced production.

**Inter-State Power Tariff variations**

4446. SHRI B. V. DESAI : Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state :

(a) whether power tariff varies considerably between States even 100 per cent in India resulting in wide differences in costs to industries;

(b) whether study has shown that in fact even within States like Maharashtra, West Bengal or Gujarat the tariff varies significantly;

(c) whether in Kerala, Karnataka and Himachal Pradesh, power cost to large industrial units is less than half of what it costs to similar units in Gujarat, Bihar or West Bengal;

(d) if so, the other points made by the study report; and

(e) the steps Government propose to take in regard to the wider inter-State power tariff variations ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF POWER (SHRI ARIF MOHAMMAD KHAN) : (a) Yes Sir.

(b) to (e). It is not clear which study is referred to. However, the power varies from State to State in the country due to one or more of the following reasons :

- (i) Hydro-thermal mix;
- (ii) Capital cost and age of generation projects and transmission and distribution facilities.
- (iii) Capacity utilisation.
- (iv) Type of station whether peaking or base-load;
- (v) Operation and Maintenance expenses; and
- (vi) Establishment costs etc.

**Study report of National Thermal Power Corporation to effect economy**

4447. SHRI B. P. DESAI : Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state :

(a) whether a study conducted by the National Thermal Power Corporation has made wide ranging recommendations to effect economy and tone up its working;