

[English]

Expansion of VSSC, Trivandrum

511. SHRI RAMESH CHENNIHALA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to allot additional funds for expansion of the Vikram Sarabhai Space Centre, Trivandrum; and

(b) if so, the details thereof.

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRIMATI MARGARET ALVA): (a) and (b) Suitable augmentation and restructuring of Vikram Sarabhai Space Centre (VSSC) are underway to meet the requirements of the challenging Project to develop Geo-stationary Satellite Launch Vehicle (GSLV) capable of launching 2.5 tonnes INSAT-2 Class satellites into a geo-stationary orbit in the course of next five years and necessary funds as required are provided for this purpose. This will enhance the capability of the country to meet most of its required needs in rocket launching.

Public Sector undertakings

512. SHRI BHAGEY GOBARDHAN: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the list of public sector undertakings and the capital investment in each;

(b) the names of the public sector undertakings which made profit during the last three financial years, year-wise; and

(c) the action being taken in respect of the chronically loss-making public sector undertakings and the results thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI P. K. THUNGON): (a) List

of Central Public Sector Undertakings and capital investment as on 31-3-90 in each case is available respectively at pages S-188 to S-197 and S-121 to S-133 of Volume-I of the Public Enterprises Survey 1989-90 placed on the Table of the House on 27-2-1991.

(b) Lists of profit making Central PSEs during the last three years i.e. 1989-90, 1988-89 and 1987-88 are given in Volume-I of the respective Public Enterprises Surveys at page S-48 to S-51 (Statement 7(a)), page 183 to 186 (Statement 7(a)) and Page 53 to 56 (Statement 2.7(a)) respectively which were placed on the Table of the House on 27-2-1991, 15-3-1990 & 27-2-1989 respectively.

(c) Improving working of the Central PSEs is a continuous process. Enterprise specific action is taken by the concerned administrative Ministry/ Department and Enterprises to improve the performance. Some of the important measures taken are financial, managerial and organisational restructuring, change in product-mix, technological upgradation, energy conservation, modernisation and rehabilitation, etc. A new concept of Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) has been introduced which clarifies the mutual obligations of the Public Sector Enterprises and administrative Ministries in achieving improved performance.

Export of Electronic Goods

513. SHRI BHAGEY GOBARDHAN: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the value of exports of various electronic goods during 1988-89, 1989-90 and 1990-91 respectively.

(b) the steps taken to explore the export-market and the results achieved; if any;