[English]

Privatisation of Granite Mines

- 6744. SHRI GOPI NATH GAJAPATHI: Will the Minister of MINES be pleased to state:
- (a) whether the Government propose to privatise Granite mines in the country;
 - (b) if so, the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether some mines have already been handed over to the private sector; and
 - (d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF MINES (SHRI BALRAM SINGH YADAV): (a) Mining of Granite by Private Sector is already permitted.

(b) to (d). Does not arise.

AIR / T.V. Kendras

6745. SHRI AMAR ROYPRADHAN: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state the criteria adopted for selection of sites for setting up of Radio Stations and Doordarshan Kendras?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI K.P. SINGH DEO): The criteria for selection of sites for All India Radio and Doordarshan include, *inter alia*, factors such as transmitter mode and technical suitability:

extent of resultant coverage to rural and urban population; provision of service to hilly, backward, tribal, remote sensitive and border areas; availability of basic infrastructural facilities. Locations with historical and cultural importance are also taken into consideration for selecting sites.

Establishment of TV programme production facilities at various places is governed by the following parameters:

- Establishment of programme production facilities at the capital of each State.
- (ii) At selected places of cultural importance.
- (iii) At selected relay centres to cater to the local needs.

Proposal of U.S. investment in India

6746. SHRI MULLAPPALLY
RAMCHANDRAN:
SHRI RAM KAPSE:
SHRI ANNA JOSHI:

Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

- (a) whether he had visited United States of America and United Kingdom to discuss foreign investment in power sector;
- (b) if so, the response he got from the investors and corporations in those countries: and
- (c) the names of power plants proposed to be set up under the private sector involving foreign investment?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRI P.V. RANGAYYA NAIDU): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) As on date proposals have been received for setting up of 25 power projects from private companies based on UK and USA as detailed below:—

SI. No.	Name of the country	No. of projects	Installed capacity (MW)	Provisional cost (Rs. in Crores)
1.	U.S.A.	22	11589	38122
2.	U.K.	3	2050	6525

(c) The details are given in the attached Statement.

STATEMENT

Details of expression of interest by private companies based in USA & UK

	Name of Project/ State	Foreign/ Indian	Capacity (MW)	Prov. Cost Estimate Rs. Crs.)	Name of the Company
1.	Jegurupadu GBPP/ (Godavari) Andhra Pradesh	Forgn. (NRI)	235.00 (Gas)	827.00	GVK Industries, USA
2.	Kakinada GBPP/ (Godavari) Andhra Pradesh	Forgn. (NRI)	208.00 (Gas)	748.43	Spectrum Power Generation Ltd., USA
3.	Visakhapatnam TPS Andhra Pradesh	Forgn. Indian JV	1000.00 (2x500) (Coal)	3000.00	Ashok Leyland & National Power (U.K.)
4.	Amguri GBPP/ Assam	Forgn.	360.00 (Gas)	1280.00	Northern Engineering Inc USA/Agra Industries
5.	Hissar TPS/ Haryana	Forgn.	500.00 (2x250) (Coal)	1000.00	Cogentrix Inc. USA
6.	Hibra HEP/ Himachal Pradesh	Forgn.	231.00 (Hydel)	708.50	Harza Engineering Co. USA

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SL No.	Name of Project/ State	Foreign/ Indian	Capacity (MW)	Prov. Cost Estimate Rs. Crs.)	Name of the Company
7.	Dhamwari HEP/ Himachal Pradesh	Forgn.	70.00 (Hydel)	245.00	Harza Engineering Co. USA.
8.	Mangalore TPS/ Karnataka	Forgn.	1000.00 (Coal)	5088.00	Cogentrix Inc. USA.
9.	Mangalore TPS/ Karnataka	Indian/ Forgn.	300:00 (Coal)	900.00	Jaiprakash Industries Ltd./ National Power (U.K.)
10.	Almatti Dam HEP/ Karnataka	Forgn./ Indian JV	600.00 (Hydel)	1800.00	Asia Power Co. Ltd. (TAPCO) USA, Kamataka Power Corporation
11.	Hospet TPS/ Kamataka	Forgn.	500.00 (1x500) Cocal	1350.00	Hok Intercontinental Ltd. USA
12.	Raichur StV TPS/ Karnataka	Forgn./ Indian JV	500.00 (2x250) (Coal)	1000.70	Public Power Int., Inc. (North East Energy) USA, Karnataka Power Corpon.
13.	Thrikkaripur TPP/ Kerala	Forgn.	420.00 (2x210) (Coal)	1480.00	M.A. Al-Mazroui Gen Trading Est. UAE Scepture Power Co.,
USA	A .		(= = = = ,		
14.	Dabhol CCGT (LNG)/ Maharashtra	Forgn.	2015.00 (LNG)	9051.27	Enron Power Development Corporation & General Electric Corpn., USA
15.	Talcher TPS/ Orissa	Forgn.	500.00 (2x250) (Coal)	1500.00	Spectrum Technologies USA
16.	Kamalanga (Dhankanal TPS) Orissa	Forgn.	500.00 (2x250) (Coal)	1500.00	International Equity Partners, L.P., USA
17.	lb Valley TPS/ Orissa	Forgn.	420.00 (2x210) (Coal)	2025.60	AES Corporation, USA

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	Name of Project/ State	Foreign/ Indian	Capacity (MW)	Prov. Cost Estimate Rs. Crs.)	Name of the Company
18.	Duburi TPS/ Orissa	Forgn./ Indian	500.00 (2x250) (Coal)	1548.00	Kalinga Power Corp./North East Energy Services Inc., USA/Govt. of Orissa
<u>1</u> 9.	Lapanga TPS/ Orissa	Forgn.	500.00 (2x250) (Coal)	1750.00	Pioneer Energy Inc. USA/ Duke Engineering Services, USA
20.	Cuddalore TPS/ Tamil Nadu	Forgn.	1000.00 (2x500) (Coal)	2000.00	International Contracting & Marketing Corpn., USA
21.	Pillaiperumalnallur CCGT/Tamil Nadu	Forgn.	300.00 (2x100 +1x100) (Gas)	429.49	P Vijaykumar Reddy, MAKOWSKI Associates, USA
22.	Zero Unit (NLC)/ Tamil Nadu	Forgn. (NRI)	210.00 (1x210) (Lig)	750.00	ST Power Systems Inc. USA
23.	Rosa TPS/ Uttar Pradesh	Forgn./ Indian	750.00 (3x250) (Coal)	2625.00	Indo-Gulf Fertilizers & Chemicals/Power Generaton, U.K.
24.	Sagardighi TPS/ W. Bengal	Forgn./ Indian JV	1000.00 (2x500) (Coal)	2000.00	Development Consultant Pvt. Ltd., CMS, USA Generation & WBSEB
25.	Dankuni GBPP/ W. Bengal	Forgn. (NRI)	20.00 (Gas)	40.00	Spectrum Technologies USA
			13639.00	44646.99	