

Cost of Generation of Power by NIPC

7120. SHRI RAMA KRISHAN KONTHALA: Will the Minister of POWER AND NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES be pleased to state:

- (a) the average cost of generation per KW through thermal, hydel, gas, and Nuclear based power plants in the country;
- (b) whether the average cost of generation per KW generated by the NIPC is higher than that of Andhra Pradesh State Thermal Plants; and
- (c) if so, the details and the action taken to reduce overheads expenditure of the NIPC?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF POWER AND NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES (SHRI KALP NATH RAI): (a) to (c). The information being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Telephone to Panchayats in Himachal Pradesh

7121. SHRI D.D. KHANORLA: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government propose to give priority to Himachal Pradesh for implementation the policy Telephone for all panchayat's and
- (b) if so, when and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI P.V. RANGAYYA NAIDU): (a) and (b). The Govt, have planned to provide telephone facility to all Panchayat village including those of Himachal Pradesh on priority by 31st March

1995 subject to technical feasibility and availability of resources.

[*Translation*]

Supply of Iron ore to Bhilai Steel Plant

7122. SHRI RAM BADAN: Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

- (a) whether production target of the Bhilai Steel Plant has been affected due to scarcity of the iron ore and non-Approaching of railway track up to Bailadila mines; and
- (b) if so, the steps proposed to be taken to supply requisite quantity of iron ore to the said plant?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF STEEL (SHRI SONT. OSH MOHAN DEV): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

[*English*]

Electrification of Villages in Tamil Nadu

7123. SHRI K. THULASIAH VANDAYAR: Will the Minister of POWER AND NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES be pleased to state:

- (a) the total number of villages electrified in Tanjore District of Tamil Nadu during the Seventh Five Year Plan period;
- (b) the number of villages yet to be electrified;

(c) the time by which the remaining villages are likely to be electrified; and

(d) the amount allocated for power sector in the Eighth Five Year Plan for Tamil Nadu?