

[English]

### I.S.D.N. in Metro Cities

6134. SHRI R. SURENDER REDDY : Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Government propose to launch Integrated Service Digital Network (I.S.D.N.) terminals in metropolitan cities shortly;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the time by which the I.S.D.N. terminals are likely to be installed and start functioning;

(d) whether the new services are proposed to be extended to other big cities also; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI SUKH RAM) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Initially, it is proposed to field try ISDN in 9 selected cities which have new technology switching systems capable of supporting ISDN.

(c) By the end of this year.

(d) and (e). After the field trials the demand for ISDN services will be assessed and it will be extended in a phased manner to other cities of the country.

[Translation]

### Use of Hindi

6135. SHRI UDAY PRATAP SINGH : Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) the particulars of the tribunals set up under the control of various Ministries/Departments or under any special law where doing official work, hearing appeal and delivering judgement in Hindi are not permitted; and

(b) when these tribunals were set up?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI P.M. SAYEED) : (a) and (b). The requisite information in this regard is being collected from all the Ministries/Departments of Government of India. The same will be placed on the Table of the House on receipt.

### Pilot Project

6136. SHRI RAMASHRAY PRASAD SINGH : Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state :

(a) whether a pilot project for the development and investigation of ground water in Bihar has been forwarded to the Central Ground Water Board;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the action taken/proposed to be taken by the Union Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI P.V. RANGAYYA NAIDU) : (a) and (b). Yes, Sir. The Government of Bihar had forwarded to the Central Ground Water Board a pilot project envisaging construction of 2358 dugwells and 5,625 shallow tubewells in the State. The estimated cost of the project is Rs. 23.15 crore.

(c) The Central Ground Water Board in consultation with the concerned State Governments including Government of Bihar has formulated a centrally sponsored scheme for the investigation and development of ground water resources in eastern States comprising Bihar, Orissa, Eastern Uttar Pradesh and West Bengal, which is at consultation stage with the concerned agencies.

### Coal Production

6137. SHRI BHUBANESHWAR PRASAD MEHTA : Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Government are aware that production of coal at Pundi Colliery under CCL has been shown more than the actual;

(b) if so, whether any inquiry has been conducted in this regard;

(c) if so, the details and the outcome thereof; and

(d) the action taken against persons found guilty?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COAL (SHRI AJIT PANJA) : (a) to (d). Half yearly stock measurement done by the team from Central Coalfields Limited (CCL) revealed a shortage of about 2.4 lakh tonnes of coal in Pundi Colliery as on 1.10.1994. Coal India Limited (CIL) have informed that action is taken by them on the basis of annual stock measurements which are in progress.

[English]

### Special Gas Price

6138. SHRI GIRDHARI LAL BHARGAVA : Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Government propose to allocate the entire balance requirement of natural gas for the 160 MW gas based project at Ramgarh;

(b) whether the Government also propose to impress upon OIL/GAIL for commencement of gas supply at the rate of 5.5 cubic meter per day from the wells as per the schedule;