

Construction of Gas Turbine in Assam

3158. SHRI KABINDRA PURKAYASTHA :
SHRI DWARAKA NATH DAS :

Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state :

(a) whether DLF company of Delhi have inaugurated its office at Silchar for construction of Gas turbines out of the gas available from Baskawdi and Adamtilla of Barak Valley of Assam;

(b) if so, when these projects are going to be started and the time by which electricity is likely to be generated; and

(c) if not, the reasons for delay?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRIMATI URMILABEN CHIMANBHAI PATEL):
(a) to (c). Assam Electricity Board has informed that DLF Power Limited have established construction office on 4th October, 1995 at Rangpur, Silchar for the power projects at Adamtilla and Baskandi and activities on both the projects have already started. The projects are scheduled for commissioning by 1996-97.

Construction of Transmission Grid at Mirganj and Rupauli

3159. SHRI RAJESH RANJAN ALIAS PAPPU YADAV : Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether a transmission grid has been constructed at Mirganj and Rupauli, in the Purnea district of Bihar, but has not been started;

(b) whether due to non-functioning of both the transmission grid electricity is not being supplied in and around Purnea;

(c) if so, whether the Government propose to start both the transmission grids; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRIMATI URMILABEN CHIMANBHAI PATEL):
(a) to (d). 33/11 KV power Sub-Stations at Mirganj and Rupauli are under construction. BSEB has informed that this work is presently held up due to paucity of funds.

Energy Conservation Practice

3160. DR. LAXMINARAYAN PANDEYA :
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CHANDRA KHANDURI :

Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Government have taken note of the suggestion of the International Energy Initiative (IEI) Director for Asia, Mr. V. Balasubramaniam that a quarter

of power consumed by motor drive systems in India could be saved by effecting energy conservation practice;

(b) if so, whether the Government have initiated any steps to identify and implement the energy conservation practice; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRIMATI URMILABEN CHIMANBHAI PATEL):
(a) to (c). No such formal suggestion has been made to the Government. However, energy conservation is a thrust area identified by the Government. Various measures undertaken by the Government to encourage energy conservation inter-alia include several training programmes held regularly for enhancing inhouse capabilities of various industrial units to increase energy efficiency in motors. A specific demonstration project on energy saving through efficiency improvement in motor operated fans in cement industry has also been taken up. Strengthening of inhouse capabilities of industrial units through demonstration projects such as these will help industry adopt energy efficiency practices.

[Translation]

Construction of Bridge in U.P.

3161. SHRI PRABHU DAYAL KATHERIA : Will the Minister of RURAL AREAS AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether a foundation stone was laid for the construction of a bridge over river Chambal in Western Uttar Pradesh;

(b) if so, the steps taken by the Government to construct the bridge; and

(c) the time by which it is likely to be completed?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL AREAS AND EMPLOYMENT (DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT) (SHRI UTTAMBHAI HARJIBHAI PATEL) : (a) to (c). The question does not mentioned the specific location of the bridge, the year of laying foundation stone etc. However, this Ministry had approved a bridge at Pinhatghat over river Chambal in Agra District in Uttar Pradesh in January 1989 under the Scheme 'Roads in Special Problem Areas' of Uttar Pradesh, Madhya Pradesh and Rajasthan. This scheme covered construction of roads and bridges in the dacoity affected areas of these States. The State Government, however, could not take up the construction of this bridge.

The Ministry reviewed the progress of works sanctioned under this scheme in these States in February 1992 and found that the progress was generally slow. Taking into account the improvement in the dacoity problem, the State Governments were requested not to take up any works which were not