

Resource crunch

3681. PROF. UMMAREDDY VENKATESWARLU : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

- (a) whether Navy is facing resource crunch;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor; and
- (c) the steps taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT) AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN) : (a) to (c). Budgetary allocations to the Indian Navy are decided after taking into consideration all relevant factors, including the geo-political scenario and the existing/emerging threat perception.

Burn Standard Company

3682. SHRI HARADHAN ROY : Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state :

- (a) whether the Refractory & Ceramic Units of Burn Standard Company Limited at Raniganj have received bulk orders from different Steel Plants in the country;
- (b) if so, names of the Steel Plants, names of items, their quantity, cost and time schedule;
- (c) the details of the planning by the management for the execution of these orders;
- (d) whether these units are facing problems in respect of executing the orders;
- (e) if so, the details thereof; and
- (f) the steps taken by the management to keep time schedule?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (DR. C. SILVERA) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The details are as under :—

- (i) Bokara Steel Plant : The total quantity of 4095 MT comprising of Silica Coke Oven bricks valued at Rs. 436.38 lakhs have been received. The delivery schedule is within March, 1996.
- (ii) Rourkela Steel Plant : The total quantity of 700 MT comprising of Silica Coke Oven bricks valued at Rs.76.30 lakhs have been received which is to be delivered by March, 1996. Besides, a letter of intent have been received for supply of 511 MT Silica Bricks valued at Rs.69 lakhs which is to be delivered from May, 1996, 100 MT per month.
- (iii) IISCO Burnpur : The total quantity of 255 MT for Silica Coke Oven bricks, mortars etc. valued at Rs.24.07 lakhs have been received which was to be supplied by September, 1995.

(c) The company is executing 250 - 300 MT per month valued at Rs. 35 lakhs approx.

(d) to (f). The Company is facing problems in execution of these orders due to non-supply of grade B steam coal, dust content in the Coal, non-availability of quartzite raw material and shortage of funds. The Management is making all efforts to stick to the delivery schedule.

Health Care Scheme

3683. DR. (SHRIMATI) K.S. SOUNDARAM : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

- (a) whether any scheme pertaining to the Public Health Department of Tamil Nadu is pending with the Union Government;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the action taken by the Central Government thereon?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI A.R. ANTULAY) : (a) to (c). A proposal for assistance from Japan for upgradation of Intensive Medical and Toxicology Unit to that of Regional Poison Control Centre in Government Hospital, Madras has been examined in consultation with the Ministry of Environment and Forests and as desired by the Ministry of Environment and Forests, Government of Tamil Nadu has since been requested to furnish a detailed Project Report.

Another proposal of Government of Tamil Nadu for providing certain high-tech equipments to the Cardio-thoracic Surgery Unit of the Government Hospital for the Children, Madras has been forwarded to the Department of Economic Affairs for posing the same to the appropriate agency.

Recently, a Project Proposal from Government of Tamil Nadu for improving facilities for district Hospitals, Taluka Hospitals, TB Hospitals, Leprosy Control etc. for a period of 5 years at an estimated cost of Rs. 71 crores is being processed.

Nurses

3684. SHRIMATI VASUNDHARA RAJE : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

- (a) whether the Government have made any assessment on the requirement of nurses by 2000 AD;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether there is shortage of nurses at present; and
- (d) if so, the reaction of the Government thereto?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI A.R. ANTULAY) : (a) to (d). The Health Manpower