

Separate Corporation for Supply of Coal to Power Stations

1033. SHRI M. V. CHANDRASHEKHARA MURTHY:

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Will the Minister of ENERGY AND IRRIGATION AND COAL be pleased to state:

(a) whether Union Government are seriously considering a proposal for setting up a separate corporation for supply of coal to power stations due to the coal supply problem;

(b) whether this new corporation will also explore the possibilities of development of new mines; and

(c) to what extent this will help in the matter of coal supply to these thermal projects?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENERGY (SHRI VIKRAM MAHAJAN): (a) With a view to ensure timely supply of coal to the thermal power stations a separate Cell is being constituted within Coal India Ltd.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) This will enable a close monitoring of supply of coal to individual power houses and maintenance of a liaison with the Railways to enable supplies to be stepped up to power houses to meet their demand.

Import of Kerosene and Diesel

1034. SHRI M. V. CHANDRASHEKHARA MURTHY: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have decided to import 5 lakh tonnes of diesel and another 1.6 lakh tonnes of kerosene during May and June, 1980 to tide over the existing shortage;

(b) if so, to what extent the above shortage will be met;

(c) what was the total allocation of diesel and kerosene made to the States during May, 1980 and what is the position in June; and

(d) whether shortages of diesel and kerosene are likely to be grave in the near future?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM, CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI VIRENDRA PATIL): (a) No, Sir. The total imports of SKO and HSD during May and June, 1980 together are estimated to be about 3 lakh tonnes and 10 lakh tonnes respectively.

(b) Shortage of SKO and HSD is being made up, to the extent possible, by imports.

(c) The allocation made to the States/Union Territories for the months of May and June, 1980 are as given below:—

(Figures in '000 tonnes)

Product	Allocations for May, 1980	Allocations for June, 1980
H.S.D.	858	765
S.K.O.	353	317

(d) The supplies of diesel and kerosene have registered improvements in recent months. The future supplies will necessarily depend upon indigenous production as per schedule, normal movement of products, etc.,

Manufacture of Insecticides by Multi-National Companies

1035. SHRI AHMED M. PATEL: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS be pleased to state:

(a) the names of the multi-national companies which are dealing in insecticides;