

**STATEMENT**

Details of Central Assistance released during the last three years and during the current year under various scheme of the Ministry of Welfare are as under:—

(Rs. in lakhs)

S.No.	Name of the scheme	1991-92	1992-93	1993-94	1994-95
<b>A. SCHEDULED CASTE DEVELOPMENT DIVISION</b>					
1.	Special Central assistance to Special Component Plan for Scheduled Castes	2197.30	2096.54	2327.10	Nil
2.	Post-Matric Scholarships for Scheduled Caste & Scheduled Tribe Students	102.56	799.18	590.14	451.00
3.	Pre-Matric Scholarships for the children of those engaged in unclean occupations	20.16	5.98	65.81	22.00
4.	National Scheme of Liberation and Rehabilitation of scavengers	350.00	313.00	Nil	Nil
5.	Centre's contribution to the Share Capital of State Scheduled Castes Finance and Development Corporation	76.89	86.25	113.52	Nil
6.	Centrally Sponsored Scheme for Implementation of Protection of Civil Rights Act, 1955 and the Scheduled Castes and the Scheduled Tribes (Prevention of Atrocities) Act, 1989	16.95	15.00	26.50	Nil
7.	Coaching & Allied Scheme for Scheduled Castes & Scheduled Tribes	7.50	2.00	8.57	1.70
8.	Book Banks for Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes	7.50	2.00	9.91	10.00
9.	Girls Hostels for SCs	72.98	25.27	40.44	Nil
10.	Boys Hostels for SCs	311.95	40.78	78.77	Nil
<b>TOTAL:</b>		<b>3163.87</b>	<b>3386.00</b>	<b>3252.76</b>	<b>484.70</b>
<b>B. TRIBAL DEVELOPMENT DIVISION</b>					
1.	Special Central Assistance (SCA including Addl. SCA)	3211.19	3175.25	3497.39	1748.70
2.	Article 275(1)/275(I)	215.85	427.20	801.00	725.25
3.	Girls Hostels	68.82	Nil	Nil	Nil
4.	Education Complex in the low literacy pockets for ST girls	Nil	Nil	Nil	4.59
5.	Vocational Training in tribal areas	Nil	Nil	Nil	44.34
6.	Grant in aid to State Tribal Development Corporation for Minor Forest Produce	Nil	50.00	Nil	Nil
7.	Research & Training	9.25	9.82	12.71	0.63
8.	Development of oilseeds oils of trees of forest origin	Nil	17.39	Nil	Nil
<b>TOTAL:</b>		<b>3505.11</b>	<b>3679.66</b>	<b>4311.10</b>	<b>2523.51</b>
<b>GRAND TOTAL (A+B):</b>		<b>6660.98</b>	<b>7065.66</b>	<b>7563.86</b>	<b>3008.21</b>

[Translation]

connections as on January 31, 1995 together with date of their pendency, State-wise;

**LPG Connections**

743. SHRI N.J. RATHVA:  
SHRI LALL BABU RAI:  
SHRI SURAJBHANU SOLANKI:  
SHRI HARIKEWAL PRASAD:  
SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR:

(b) whether the customers have to wait for years together to get LPG connections;

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(c) if so, the present position in regard to allotment of LPG connections; and

(a) the number of pending applications for LPG

(d) the remedial steps taken/proposed in this direction?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (CAPT. SATISH KUMAR SHARMA): (a) to (c) As on 1st January, 1995 there were 113.72 lakhs of applicants on the waiting list in the country. The waiting period of new LPG connections depends upon the number of persons on the waiting list with the distributor, slack with the distributor and also the annual programme for enrolment of new customers. The target for enrolment of new LPG customers during 1994-95 has been fixed at 20 lakhs.

(d) Efforts are constantly on to release LPG connections to as many applicants and as early as possible. Plans have been drawn for higher availability of LPG by increasing the capacity of existing production sources, putting up new plants and augmenting the supply through higher imports.

[English]

#### Joint Ventures in Coal Mining

744. PROF. SAVITHRI LAKSHMANAN: Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Coal India Limited has proposed joint ventures with foreign companies in coal mining;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the time by which these joint ventures are likely to commence?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COAL (SHRI AJIT KUMAR PANJA): (a) and (b) The Coal India Limited (CIL) have received following Joint venture proposals from foreign parties—

Sl. No.	Party/Country	Area of proposal
1	2	3
1.	State Committee for Ukrain.	Designing, Construction of coal mines and washery plants and mining of coal.
2.	M/s. White Industries Australia Ltd., Australia	(a) Opencast coal mining development with trucks/shovel/inpit crusher technology. (b) Underground mining development with Wongawillis system and longwall mining development. (c) Modern washplant design and development for both coking and steaming coal.
3.	M/s Joy Manufacturing Company (UK).	Underground mechanised Bord & Pillar development with continuous mining.
4.	M/s Hyundai Heavy Industries Co. Ltd. (HHI).	Development of mining block.
5.	Indian Long wall association with International Longwall.	Carrying out longwall mining.
6.	M/s. BHP Minerals.	Development of mining blocks
7.	M/s Black Hill Minerals.	Development of mining blocks.

(c) Government has not approved any Joint Venture proposal for coal mining by the Coal India Limited.

#### Fire at ONGC Well

745. SHRI SULTAN SALAHUDDIN OWAISI: SHRI G.M.C. BALAYOGI:

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the fire at oil well at Amalapuram rose to 1407 metres from the regular 100 to 120 metres after 40 days of the fire;

(b) if so, the facts thereof;

(c) whether the people nearby areas had complained about the deafening sounds and heat;

(d) whether his Ministry has been urged to declare this as a natural calamity and provide adequate aid to the affected people; and

(e) if so, the steps taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (CAPT. SATISH KUMAR SHARMA): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) Noise level around village Gopayalanka was high. There was intense heat around 200 metres of the well mouth beyond which the temperature was not exceeding 35 deg. C.

(d) No, Sir.

(e) Does not arise.

#### Coal Production

746. SHRI ANKUSHRAO RAOSAHEB TOPE: Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any increase in the production of coal during the current financial year;

(b) the amount of coal produced during April—December, 1994 as compared to that in previous year;

(c) whether there is any increase in the colour productivity both in open and underground mines; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COAL (SHRI AJIT KUMAR PANJA): (a) Yes, Sir. Coal production in the country during the period April to December, 1994 has registered a growth of about 3.2% over the production achieved during the corresponding period last year (Data provisional)

(b) Actual coal production in the country during the