(c) Details of Capacity utilisation in different coal companies during each of the last three years are as under:

Company	1992-93	1993-94	1994-95
ECL	67.88	66.42	71.16
BCCL	77.55	76.55	75.37
CCL	99.94	92.55	71.69
NCL	92.44	86.72	88.95
WCL	92.47	95.09	92.89
SECL	103.18	116.81	98.02
MCL	133.09	108.57	81.13
CIL	92.65	91.51	83.17
SCCL	94.00	95.00	<b>95.00</b> .

## Standard of Doordarshan

688. KUMARI SUSHILA TIRIYA: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Doordarshan is unable to televise the important programmes like solar eclipse;
  - (b) if so, the reasons therefor;
- (c) the steps taken for the improvement of standard of Doordarshan?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI P.M. SAYEED): (a) No, Sir.

- (b) Does not arise.
- (c) Doordarshan is endeavouring, on a counting basis, to bring about a qualitative improvement in the technical quality of its channels through a phased expansion of its terrestrial network and introduction of the latest state of art equipment, and on the programme side through the introduction of additional channels and new programme formats that cater to the diverse needs of the widest cross section of its viewers.

[Translation]

## Setting up of Oil Refineries

689. SHRI VILASRAO NAGNATHRAO GUNDEWAR:

SHRI ANNA JOSHI:

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

- (a) whether the Government propose to set-up oil projects/refineries in Maharashtra; and
  - (b) if so, the progress made so far in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (CAPT. SATISH KUMAR SHARMA): (a) and (b) The details of the projects proposed to be set up by various oil sector PSUs are as follows:

- (i) Bombay-Manmad Product Pipeline at a cost of Rs. 398.62 crores being set up by BPCL. The project was approved on 19.4.95.
- (ii) 6 MMTPA refinery at a cost of Rs. 4407 crores through a joint venture of HPCL and Oman Oil Company. First stage clearance of Govt. has been accorded.
- (iii) BPCL and Shell overseas International are setting up a lubricants blending plant at Taloja at a cost of Rs. 80 crores.
- (iv) LPG bottling plants at Manmad, Akola and Buldana with a total capacity of 84 MMTPA to being set up by IOC. Two Projects are under implementation. The plant at Buldana was approved on 28.11.1995.
- (v) New POL Terminal at Uran with 40,000 KL tankage and new TOP at Manmad with 15,000 KL tankage being set up by IOC.
- (vi) Black Oil pipeline and associated terminal at New Bombay at a cost of Rs. 44 crores being set up by HPCL.

## **LPG Connections**

690. SHRI RAM PRASAD SINGH: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government propose to provide LPG connections during the current year to the consumers who wer registered with LPG distributors during the year 1984-85 and 1986-87; and
  - (b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (CAPT. SATISH KUMAR SHARMA): (a) and (b) New LPG connections are released to the waitlisted persons according to the serial order of registration with the distributor concerned depending on new customer enrolment allotted to the distributor, waiting list and industry enrolment plan for the year. Release of connections is not based on the age of registration.

[English]

## **Privatisation of Irrigation Projects**

- 691. SHRI RAM KAPSE: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:
- (a) whether the high level Committee set up to examine the feasibility of privatisation of irrigation and multipurpose projects has submitted its report;