

**THE MINISTER OF STEEL, MINES AND COAL (SHRI VASANT SATHE) :**

(a) and (b). 475 cases of employees suffering from T.B. have so far been registered in the Hospital since the inception of Khetri Copper Complex in 1967, of whom 11 have died. No case of Silicosis has been registered. No separate record is maintained in respect of cases of lung disease.

(c) No compensation as such is payable as per the rules of the Company. However, in case of death of a workman on account of T.B., his dependants were paid cash benefits varying from Rs. 20,000 to 61,750 according to the rules of the Company.

(d) Five.

**Amount Spent for Rural Development and Welfare in Khetri Copper Project**

4905. SHRI MOHD. AYUB KHAN : Will the Minister of STEEL, MINES AND COAL be pleased to state :

(a) the year wise amount sanctioned in the budget and the amount spent under each head till date for rural development and welfare in Khetri Copper Complex;

(b) the significant works undertaken with the said budgetary amount in villages around the said complex; and

(c) whether no work was undertaken except in 1979-80 ?

**THE MINISTER OF STEEL, MINES AND COAL (SHRI VASANT SATHE) :**

(a) to (c). There is no separate provision in the Budget of the Khetri Copper Complex of Hindustan Copper Ltd. for rural development and social welfare. However, certain schemes for Rural Development have been integrated with the general budget of the Complex. Important jobs undertaken by the Complex in this sphere include :

(i) construction of metal Road of about 8 Km. length from Khar-khara to Kolihan;

(ii) construction of metal road from Jodhpura to Khetri Copper Complex;

(iii) improvement of road from Bilwa village to Chandmari/Kolihan;

(iv) provision of road lights on a length of 4 Km. for the benefit of nearby villages; and

(v) provision of drinking water facilities and construction of culverts/causeways for the nearby villages.

Various jobs have been undertaken even after 1979-80 and are continuously being maintained at an approximate cost of Rs. 50,000 per year.

**Requirement and supply of power to Khetri Copper Project**

4906. SHRI MOHD. AYUB KHAN : Will the Minister of STEEL, MINES AND COAL be pleased to state :

(a) whether the total requirement of power for the entire plant, mines, township and other purposes in Khetri Copper Project is 28 megawatt only ;

(b) whether it is a fact that at present 32 megawatt power is being supplied to this project by the Rajasthan State Electricity Board and another 18 Megawatt power can be generated (in emergency) by its D.G. set ; and

(c) what was the necessity of setting up Rs. 30 crore gas turbine and the purpose for which the power generated therefrom will be utilised ?

**THE MINISTER OF STEEL, MINES AND COAL (SHRI VASANT SATHE) :**

(a) The total requirement of power of the Khetri Copper Complex (KCC) of Hindustan Copper Ltd., including the township, is about 38 MW at present and is likely to go up to 47 MW in the near future.