- (c) 70854 as on31-10-1985.
- (d) to (f). Maruti Udyog Ltd. is negotaiting exports of its vehicles to neighbouring and east European countries. No contracts have been finalised as yet.

Decline in Production of Oil from Bombay High

413. SHRI MOHANBHAI PATEL: SHRI CHINTAMANI JENA:

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

- (a) whether the oil production from the Bombay High is declining as reported in Hindustan Times of 2 August, 1985;
- (b) if so, by how much and the reasons therefor; and
- (c) the measures being taken to increase the production?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE OF PETROLEUM AND MINISTRY (SHRI NAWAL NATURAL GAS KISHORE SHARMA): (a) No, Sir.

- (b) Does not arise.
- (c) Bombay High field is currently producing at its plateau rate of 19-20 million tonnes per annum, which rate is expected to continue during the VII Plan period. Measures like pressure maintenance by water injection are being undertaken to maintain this plateau rate; artificial lift methods will also be resorted to. At a later date enhanced oil recovery projects are also contemplated to prolong production from the field for as long a period as possible.

[Translation]

Smuggling of Petroleum Products

414. SHRI JAGANNATH PRASAD: SHRI SIMON TIGGA:

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

(a) whether smuggling of petrolcum product is on the increase in various parts of the country, such as North Bihar from

where petroleum products are smuggled out to China via Nepa and Tibet;

- (b) if so, the measures taken by Government to check it;
- (c) whether Government have investigated these smuggling activities;
- (d) if so, the number of guilty persons arrested and the action taken against them; and
 - (e) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM NATURAL GAS (SHRI NAWAL KISHORE SHARMA): (a) No reports in this regard have been received by the Government.

(b) to (e). Do not arise.

[English]

Village Electrification and Pump Set Energisation in Karnataka

- 415. SHRI SRIKANTHA DATTA NARASIMHARAJA WADIYAR: Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state:
- (a) the target set by Rural Electrification Corporation for village electrification as well as pumpset energisation in the Sixth Plan period, year-wise;
- (b) the achievement made in the above areas in the different States in that plan period, year-wise; and
- (c) the number of villages in Karnataka that are proposed to be electrified in the Seventh Plan period?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF POWER (SHRI ARIF MCHAMMAD KHAN): (a) and (b). A Statement indicating Sixth Plan target and achievement for village electrification and pumpset energisation, State-wise and yearwise under REC scheme is given below.

(c) During Seventh Plan period it is proposed to be electrify 4524 villages in the State of Karnataka from all sources of financing.