[Translation]

## Gas Agency at Bibar Sharif, Bibar

1398. SHRI VIJOY KUMAR YADAV Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state :

(a) whether there is only one cooking gas agency at Bihar Sharif in Nalanda district of Bihar;

(b) whether the consumers are facing a lot of inconvenience in getting gas cylinders and have to pay more price therefor;

(c) if so, whether Government propose to increase the number of cooking gas agencies at Bihar Sharif; and

(d) if so, the time by which these are likely to be opened ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI NAWAL KISHORE SHARMA) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) While there has lately been delay in refill supplies owing to operational reasons, there have not been complaints about overcharging.

(c) and (d). IOC has advertised on October 12, 1985 inviting applications for a new distributorship. Considering the various steps like selection procedure are statutory formalities which precede the commissioning of an LPG distributorship, it does not seem feasible to indicate by which time the proposed one will be commissioned.

## Swaran Rekha Power Project in Bihar

1399. SHRI VIJOY KUMAR YADAV : Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state :

(a) whether the work on Swaran Rekha Power Project in Bihar has been started;

(b) if so, the details in this regard and the time by which this project is likely to be completed;

(c) the quantum of power proposed to be supplied to Bihar from this project; and

(d) the time by which the supply is likely to be started ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF POWER (SHRI ARIF MOHAMMAD KHAN) : (a) to (d). The Subernarekha Multi-purpose Project. downstream of the existing Subernarekha Hydro-electric Project (130 MW), is presently under construction and inter-alia involves construction of Chandil Dam across the Subernarekha river. The project report of Chandil Dam Power Project  $(2 \times 4 \text{ MW})$  was received in Central Electricity Authority during April, 1985 and is under examination. As per report, the annual energy the project generation is estimated at 36.33 Gwh. The project can be considered for implementation, only after its techno-economic viability is established.

[English]

## Opening of Petrol Diesel Outlets and Gas Agencies in Himachal Pradesh and Punjab

1401. PROF. NARAIN CHAND PARASHAR : Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state :

(a) the names of the places in Himachal Pradesh and Punjab, district-wise, for which the advertisements for the opening of (i) petrol/diesel outlets and (ii) Gas agencies have been issued during the years 1983-84 and 1984-85 and April to October, 1985;

(b) the names of such places among them, where the outlets/agencies have since been opened;

(c) the likely date by which the remaining outlets/agencies would be allotted;

(d) whether there are any cases still pending for such allotment for over (i) five years (ii) there years; and

(e) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI NAWAL KISHORE SHARMA) : (a) During the years 1983-84, 1984-85 and April-October, 85, the oil companies have advertised for NOVEMBER 26, 1985

development of 17 and 96 locations for Retail outlets and 15 and 84 locations for LPG distributorships in Himachal Pradesh and Punjab respectively. District-wise information in this regard is too voluminous and is not readily forthcoming.

(b) The required information is given in the statement below.

(c) In view of the various steps to be

taken preceding the commissioning of Retail Outlets/distributorships, it would not be feasible to indicate a time limit.

(d) and (e). There is one case pending over 5 years and 15 casesover 3 years for the allotment of Retail Outlets. The main reason of delay in finalisation of these cases is due to either poor response to the advertisement or non availability of suitable candidates.

Name of the State	Locations at which agencies/ distributorships commissioned		Locations for which Letters Intent has been issued	
	Retail Outlet	LPG	Retail Outlet	LPG
1	2	3	4	5
Himachal	Ghumarvin	Dharamsala	Sirkaghat	Simla(2)
Pradesh		Kulu	Swarghat	Kasauli
		Bilaspur	Karsog	Solan
		Parwanoo	Bhota	Dalhousie
			Badsar	Palampur
			Kalamb	Poontasahib
				Hamirpur
				Sundar Nagar
Punjab	Dharamkot	Jagraon	Talwandi	Malerkotla
<b>-</b>	Sehensra	Fazilka	Patiala	Jalandhar
	Chahal	Khanna	Patran	Firozpur
	Sahoke	Ludhiana(5)	Bhogpur	Malout
	Ughi	Amritsar(5)	Bassipathana	Sirhind
	Partappura	Kapurthala(2)	Kanjla	Kothapura
	Pathnakot	Bhatinda(2)	Attari Nihal-	Patiala
	Sahauli	Nabha	singhwala	Samana
	Kapurthala	Moga	Harpura	Nangal
	Malsian	Sangrur	Faridkot	Jalandhar(2)
	Bassian Jorhan	Rajpura(2)	Mandi Gobind-	Dhuri
	Sultappur	Muktasar	garh	Sunam
	Nakodar	Gobindgarh	Samana (Bhav-	Tudhiana
	Khadauri	Patiala(5)	anigarh Rd.)	Taran Taran

## Statement

	2	3	4	5
	Darapur	Banga	Parjian Khurd	Pathaokot
	Samadh Bhai	Nawan Shahr	Barapind	Hoshiarput
	Mukutsar	Kotkapura	Malwan Kadim	Abohar
	Dhade	Mansa	Panj grahin	Sasnagar
	Teono	Rampuraphul	(Fatehgarh)	
	Kot-Ise-Khan	Jalandhar(3)	Sandwan	
	Jalandhar		Panshata	
	(Kapurthala Re	1)	Mehtabgarh	
	Talwan		Sheikhpura	
	Gulzarpur		Ghanauli	
			Bhundari	
			Uba-Birri- Dhilwan	
			Killi Nihal- Singhwala	
			Garndwal	
			Majitha	
			Umranangal	
			Nandgarh	
			Bhnakhandi	
			Makhu	
			Bela	
			Mullanpur	
			Pathankot	
			(Dalhousie by	
			pass)	
			Didwindi	
			Mulowal	
			Jalandhar-Nak	codar
			Road	
			Bagga Purana	
			Lassara Adda	