

(b) It has been the Government's constant endeavour to inject professionalisation and autonomy in Public Sector Undertakings consistent with the country's high stakes in their efficient working and Government's own accountability to Parliament.

Telephone Facilities in Villages of Khargone District of Madhya Pradesh

2180. SHRI SUBHASH YADAV : Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state :

(a) the number of villages in the District of Khargone of Madhya Pradesh which are likely to be provided with telephone facilities during 1986-87; and

(b) the funds allocated for the purpose ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI RAM NIWAS MIRDHA) : (a) Eight villages in the District of Khargone of Madhya Pradesh are likely to be provided with telephone facilities during 1986-87.

(b) Funds for setting up these long distance public call offices will be met from the lump sum grant given to the Circle for the year.

Inventory Holding of Plant and Machinery for Public Sector Companies

2181. SHRI N. DENNIS : Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that Union Government have decided to evolve and introduce a new system for inventory holding of plant and machinery for public sector companies; and

(b) if so, the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) In view of (a) above, does not arise.

Demand and Production of LPG Cylinders in West Bengal

2182. SHRI ANANDA PATHAK :
SHRI SYED MASUDAL HOSSAIN :
DR. SUDHIR ROY :

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

(a) the total demand for LPG cylinders in West Bengal and the total production of LPG cylinders in the State;

(b) whether there is vast difference between the demand of cylinders and availability of cylinders in the State;

(c) how the difference is being covered, whether by bringing cylinders from other States or by other means; and

(d) if so, whether consumers are compelled to pay higher rate per cylinder than in other States ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI CHANDRA SHEKHAR SINGH) : (a) to (c). Requirement of LPG cylinders in any area, including West Bengal, from time to time depends upon the existing number of consumers, the pace of release of new connections, bottling capacity etc. These requirements are met by each company through existing cylinders and procurement of new cylinders from manufacturers located all over the country. There is no shortage of cylinders for supply of LPG in West Bengal.

(d) No, Sir.

New Oil Refinery in Assam

2183. SHRI BRAJAMOHAN MOHANTY : Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state :

(a) whether any steps have been taken to set up a new oil refinery in Assam in private sector as per the Assam Accord of August 15, 1985;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and