

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF POWER AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRIMATI SUSHILA ROHTAGI) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Gravity-Magnetic and reconnoitry seismic surveys covering most of the coastal areas of Guntur district have been carried out.

#### Setting up of oil refinery in Assam

2587. SHRI HANNAN MOLLAH : Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state the present position regarding setting up a new oil refinery in Assam ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF POWER AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRIMATI SUSHILA ROHTAGI) : Two private parties have applied for an industrial licence to set up a refinery. This is under the consideration of the Government.

#### Tie up with Pepsi Cola

2588. SHRI MANIK SANYAL : Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that Punjab-Agro has applied for a tie-up with Pepsi Cola, U S. A.;

(b) what are they going to export and how much;

(c) what are they going to import and how much this is consistent with the existing import replenishment scheme; and

(d) whether they will be allowed to use foreign Trade Marks for goods to be sold in India ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The proposal envisages export of processed fruit and vegetable products, and other products worth Rs. 55 crores during the first 5 years.

(c) According to the details furnished in the application, the project envisages import of (i) machinery and equipment worth Rs. 6 crores and (ii) raw materials and components worth Rs. 8.60 crores. The actual imports, however, will be in accordance with the policy in force from time to time.

(d) The proposal does not envisage the use of foreign trade mark as such.

#### Setting up of telephone exchange at Chanswarpur in Midnapore district, West Bengal

2589. SHRI SATYAGOPAL MISRA : Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government propose to set up a telephone exchange at Chanswarpur under Tamluk Block I in Midnapore district, West Bengal;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI RAM NIWAS MIRDHA) : (a) and (b). No, Sir

(c) Opening of the exchange can be considered when the minimum demand of 10 is received and guidelines under the liberalised and policy of opening small capacity exchanges are met.

#### Commission to LPG agents

2590. SHRI A. CHARLES :  
DR. B. L. SHAILESH :

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

(a) the commissions fixed for distribution of LPG;

(b) the year in which this was fixed;

(c) whether attention of Government has been drawn that the present commission is too low; and

(d) if so, whether there is any proposal to enhance the commission ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF POWER AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRIMATI SUSHILA ROHATGI) : (a) The commission fixed for distribution of LPG is Rs. 3.62 per cylinder.

(b) This rate was made applicable with effect from 1st March 1981.

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) The matter is under the consideration of Government.

#### Environmental awareness in Assam oil fields

2591. SHRI M. R. SAIKIA : Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the Central Board for the Prevention and Control of Water Pollution made some recommendations to create environmental awareness in the oil fields of Assam;

(b) if so, the details of recommendations; and

(c) how far those recommendations have so far been implemented ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF POWER AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRIMATI SUSHILA ROHTAGI) : (a) to (c). Yes, Sir. The Central Board for Prevention and Control of Water Pollution has, inter-alia, recommended that in the oil fields environmental awareness must be given top priority and everyone should be made aware of the necessity of environmental protection.

The following programmes have been undertaken by ONGC

—observance of World Environment Dry and Safety and Environment week.

—special issue of inhouse journal of ER of ONGC on the theme of the environmental protection.

—arranging competitions on essays, slogans and paintings, among officers and their families as a part of awareness promotional campaign.

—display of slides on the theme of environments, protection in cinema halls of Sibsagar, Jorhat and Gauhati.

—display of models and posters in different exhibitions.

#### Industrial shed project with Netherland's assistance in Karnataka

2592. SHRI SRIKANTA DATTA NARASIMHARAJA WADIYAR : Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state :

(a) whether an Industrial Sheds Project has been implemented in Karnataka with Netherland's assistance?

(b) if so, the cost of the project;

(c) the aims of the project and the number of districts covered under the project so far;

(d) whether Government have a proposal to further extend the project; and

(e) if so, the target set for the construction of industrial projects in Karnataka by the end of the Seventh Plan ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The cost of the project is Rs. 18 crores.