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Fishing harbour at Astarang in Orissa

976. SHRIMATI JAYANTI PATNAIK: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government have taken steps to establish a fishing harbour at Astarang in Orissa:
- (b) if so, the progress made in this direction so far; and ?
- (c) the specific steps taken to expedite the implementation of the proposal?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND COOPERATION IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI YOGENDRA MAKWANA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) The project has been approved for bilateral assistance from the Overseas Development Administration (ODA) of the Government of United Kingdom. The Government of Orissa have taken up the implementation of the project from January 1984. The Preliminary works viz. acquisition of land, drawing of power line to the site and construction of approach road, have been taken up. Progress on other works is temporarily halted due to the findings of a study by an ODA Consultant regarding the marine fishery potential off the project area. The ODA report is under examination.

Opening of Vocational and Technical Training Institutes in view of New Educational Policy

977. SHRI VIJAY N. PATIL; Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have any new scheme to open new Vocational and Technical Training Institutes in the light of recommendations made in New Educational Policy regarding vocational and technical training;

- (b) if so, the number of new Vocational and Technical Training Institutes that are likely to be opened in the near future to implement new education policy on Vocational and Technical Training; and
- (c) the steps Government are taking to gear up old vocational and technical institutes to meet the requirements of new educational policy on Vocational and Technical Training?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR (SHRI P. A. SANGMA): (a) The Programme of Action of the National Policy on Education 1986 envisages opening of new Vocational and Technical Training Institutes and gearing up existing technical institutes.

(b) and (c) Detailed schemes in this regard will conform to the Programme of Action referred to in (a) above.

Threat at blow up Rajkot T.V. Station

978. SHRI D. N. REDDY: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

- (a) whether a letter threatening to blow up the Rajkot Television Station was received recently; if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether any investigations have been made by Government in the matter; and
- (c) if so, the outcome thereof; the action taken by Government to prevent such incidents?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI A K. PANJA): (a) Yes, Sir. The letter contained a threat that the Doordarshan Kendra, Rajkot would be blown up.