

**Plan to Modernise Central Industrial Undertakings in Karnataka**

1001. SHRI V. KRISHNA RAO : Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state :

(a) whether some of the industrial undertakings in the Central sector in Karnataka require modernisation urgently ;

(b) if so, whether Government have any plan in this regard ; and

(c) if so, the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC ENTERPRISES IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (PROF. K. K. TEWARY) : (a) to (c) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

**LPG Demand in Karnataka**

1002. SHRI V. KRISHNA RAO : Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state :

(a) The total demand for cooking gas in Karnataka State ;

(b) What percentage of demand has been met ; and

(c) The time by which full demand is likely to be met ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI BRAHMADUDDI) : (a) to (c) The average monthly demand for LPG for the existing customers in Karnataka is around 6302 M.T. Except for occasional backlog in supplies, this demand is being met in full.

The endeavour to meet the demand in full will be maintained.

**Profit/Losses by Public Sector Units**

1004. DR. DATTA SAMANT : Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state :

(a) the aggregate profits made by the public sector units in the first six months of the financial year 1986-87 ;

(b) the names of public sector units which suffered losses during this period ; and

(c) the steps Government have taken to reduce losses of public sector units ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC ENTERPRISES IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (PROF. K. K. TEWARY) :

(a) Based on provisional estimates received from 170 operating Central Public Sector Enterprises, the overall working results during first six months of the financial year 1986-87 show a net profit of Rs. 232.96 crores.

(b) A statement showing the names of public sector units out of 170 enterprises referred to in (a) above, which suffered losses during first six months of the financial year 1986-87 is given below.

(c) Government have taken various steps to reduce losses of public sector units. These are modernisation and rehabilitation of plant and equipment wherever considered necessary ; diversification of products mix ; provision of balancing facilities ; training and retraining of personnel ; emphasis on cost control and cost reduction and encouragement of labour participation in management.

**Statement**

1. IISCO
2. IISCO Ujjain Pipe & Foundry Company Ltd.
3. Mishra Dhatu Nigam Ltd.
4. Steel Authority of India Ltd.
5. Bharat Aluminium Company Ltd.
6. Bharat Gold Mines Ltd.
7. Bharat Refractories Ltd.
8. Hindustan Copper Ltd.