

internal resources of the order of Rs. 325 crores in 1983-84 and Rs. 477 crores in 1985-86, after adjustment of rural electrification subsidies of Rs. 732 crores for 1983-84 and Rs. 971 crores for 1985-86.

(b) Under the Electricity (Supply) Act, 1948, State Electricity Boards are required to earn a surplus of not less than 3% of the net fixed assets. The State Authorities have been advised to capitalise interest during construction and to release promptly the outstanding rural electrification subsidies to the Boards.

#### **Growth Rate of Industrial Output**

2352. SHRI VAKKOM PURUSHOTHAMAN:  
SHRI H. N. NANJE GOWDA:

Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) the total industrial output in the last three years, year-wise;

(b) whether the growth rate of industrial output in 1986-87 is lower than the target set for the year and also lower than the growth achieved in the preceding year; and

(c) if so, what are the reasons identified therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) According to Annual Survey of Industries compiled by Central Statistical Organisation, the value of output during 1981-82, 1982-83 and 1983-84 are as follows:—

(Rs. crores)

Year	Value of output
1981-1982	73630
1982-83	86238
1983-84	93537

(b) and (c). According to CSO's quick index of Industrial Production for January, 1987, the rate of growth during April-January, 1986-87 was 7.7 per cent as against a rate of growth of 8.7 per cent during 1985-86. Thus, the average for the first two years of the Seventh Plan is expected to be around 8 per cent, which is also the target envisaged for the Seventh Plan.

[Translation]

#### **Construction of Post Office Building at Champawat (Pithoragarh) U.P.**

2353. SHRI HARISH RAWAT: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is a proposal for construction of building for the post office in Champawat (Pithoragarh) of Uttar Pradesh; and

(b) if so, the time by which this proposal is likely to be implemented?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI SONTOSH MOHAN DEV): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The construction of the Post Office building at Champawat has commenced on 23-11-1986.

#### **Rural Electrification in U.P.**

2354. SHRI HARISH RAWAT: Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of rural electrification proposals received from Uttar Pradesh during this year so far;

(b) whether necessary approval has been accorded to these proposals; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF POWER IN THE MIN-