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**Setting up of Multi-Fuel Thermal Power Projects in Andhra Pradesh**

8224. SHRI V. TULSIRAM: Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Union Government propose to set up multi-fuel thermal power projects in Andhra Pradesh;

(b) if so, the location thereof;

(c) the estimated installed capacity and the cost of the projects;

(d) the steps being taken to give top priority to give clearance to the projects; and

(e) the extent to which the requirements of the State will be met?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF POWER IN THE MINISTRY OF ENERGY (SHRIMATI SUSHILA ROHTAGI) : (a) to (e). No, Sir. There is no proposal under consideration to set up multi-fuel thermal power projects, by the Union Government, in Andhra Pradesh

**Orders for Heavy Electrical Equipment**

8225. SHRI D.N REDDY : Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether is it a fact that the Bharat Heavy Electricals Ltd. has requested Government not to place any order for heavy electrical equipment with foreign companies, as it will be surplus in its production shortly;

(b) if so, Government's reaction thereto; and

(c) the annual import of equipment now being produced indigenously by BHEL?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC ENTER-

PRISES IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (PROF K.K. TEWARY) : (a) and (b). BHEL has been requesting Government support to ensure better capacity utilisation. It is Government's policy to ensure maximum utilization of the indigenous capacity. Import is resorted to only selectively and on merits, depending on the totality of circumstances.

(c) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the house.

**Cement Production**

8226. SHRIMATI PRABHAWATI GUPTA : Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) the anticipated demand of cement by the end of the Seventh Five Year Plan Period;

(b) the anticipated production of cement by that period; and

(c) the steps being taken to meet the likely shortage, if any, and achieve self-sufficiency in cement?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM) : (a) to (c) The demand for cement by the end of 7th Five Year Plan is likely to be around 49 million tonnes. The production target for the terminal year of the 7th Plan has also been fixed at 49 million tonnes, which is likely to be achieved fully making the country self-sufficient in cement.

**Generation and Consumption of Power in Karnataka**

8227. SHRI D.K. NAIKAR: Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) the total generation of power in Karnataka, Hydro-electric and thermal separately, in M.W. ; and

(b) the total consumption (domestic and