

States facing power shortage. The States in a region, have been allocated shares, from the Central Stations in that region. Additional assistance to the extent possible is also provided to the deficit States, out of the unallocated power from the Central stations in the respective regions which is at the disposal of the Centre, taking into account the relative shortages in the constituent systems of a region in which the Central station is located.

[English]

Coal Based Power Plants in Bihar

4805. SHRI LALITESHWAR SHAHI:
DR. G.S. RAJHANS:

Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any plan to set up some coal based or coal dust based power plants in Bihar;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the action proposed to be taken to meet the scarcity of power during the current Plan period in Bihar?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF POWER IN THE MINISTRY OF ENERGY (SHRIMRI SUSHILA ROHATGI): (a) and (b). Two units of 110 MW each have been commissioned at the Patratu and Muzaffarpur thermal stations during the Seventh Plan period, in addition to one unit of 210 MW commissioned at Bokaro B Station of the D.V.C. who are also implementing Stage-II (420 MW) of the project. The thermal capacity additions envisaged in the Eighth Plan include the Tenughat Thermal Power Project which is being implemented in the State Sector by Bihar State Electricity Board and Kahalgaon Super Thermal Power Project which is being imple-

mented in the Central Sector by NTPC. No proposal is presently under consideration to set up a coal dust based power plant in Bihar.

(c) In addition to the thermal capacity additions, a hydro capacity of 48.9 MW is targetted to be commissioned during the Seventh Plan in Bihar which would also receive its due share of power from the Central projects in the Eastern Region. With a view to augmenting the availability of power, a centrally-sponsored Renovation and Modernisation Programme is being implemented at the Patratu, Barauni and Karbigahia Thermal Stations at a total estimated cost of Rs. 67.26 crores, with a Central component of Rs. 25.81 crores.

Demand, Supply and Production of Cars, Motorcycles, Scooters and Tyres

4806. SHRI U.H. PATEL: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the demand and supply of various types of cars, motorcycles, scooters as well as their tyres, are increasing day-by-day;

(b) what was the demand, supply and production of these vehicles and their tyres on 1 January, 1985, 1 January, 1986, 1 January, 1987 and 31 October, 1987; and

(c) how many cars, motorcycles and scooters have been exported to various countries during the above period and how much foreign exchange earned from each country?

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

(b) and (c). A statement is given below.

STATEMENT

(b) The Sub-Group on Automobiles and Earth moving Industry for 7th Plan has estimated a demand of 1.40 lakhs nos. of passenger cars and 20 lakh nos. of two wheelers in the country by 1989-90. The production and sales of cars, motorcycles and scooters has been as under:-

	Nos. (000)			
	1984 <i>Jan.- Dec.</i>	1985 <i>Jan.-Dec.</i>	1986 <i>Jan.-Dec.</i>	1987 <i>Jan.-Oct.</i>
CARS				
Production	64	102	116	122
Sales	62	102	110	125
MOTORCYCLES				
Production	175	248	315	234
Sales	174	243	316	241
SCOOTERS				
Production	297	422	591	528
Sales	304	415	587	523

TYRES Production of tyres of these vehicles has been as under:-

(in lakh numbers)

Category	1985-86	1986-87	1987-88 (Apr.-Sep.)
Car	14.84	15.33	7.15
Motorcycle	10.38	8.78	4.48
Scooter	21.88	24.83	11.71

(Production of 10 large tyre companies (exclusive of production of Tyre Corporation of India Ltd. and smaller tyre companies)

(c) Maruti Udyog Ltd. has exported 100 nos. of kits for cars and 500 nos. of cars. There has not been any significant export of motorcycles. However, there has been export of scooters as under:-

1984-85	1731 Nos.
1985-86	3244 Nos.
1986-87	2902 Nos.

Increase in the Dealers Commission

4807. SHRI U. H. PATEL: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have received representations for increasing the commission of dealers and agents of petrol, diesel and LPG;

(b) if so, the details thereof and action taken thereon; and

(c) what was the commission given to them as on 1.1.85, 1.1.86, 1.1.87 and on 31.10.87?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI BRAHMA DUTT): (a) and (b). Representations are received from time to time asking for upward revision in the present rates of commission on petrol and diesel. The dealers commission on petrol and diesel are automatically increased with increases in the prices of petrol and diesel as per a formula in vogue. The dealers' commission on LPG was revised up wards on 19.1.1987.

(c) A statement is given below.

STATEMENT

The dealers commission on petrol, diesel and LPG as on 1.1.1985, 1.1.1986, 1.1.1987 and 31.10.1987 are given below:-

		<i>As on</i> 1.1.85	<i>As on</i> 1.1.86	<i>As on</i> 1.1.87	<i>As on</i> 31.10.87
		1	2	3	4
1.	Petrol (Rs./KL)				
	Slab for sales				
	0-360 KL	135	146	151	151
	361-600 KL	99	108	113	113
	601-1080 KL	87	95	99	99
	Above 1080 KL	70	76	79	79