

(c) the foreign exchange involved therein, year-wise ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI RAFIQUE ALAM) : (a) to (c). LPG has to be imported into the country to meet the gap between indigenous demand and supply. It is expected that in the year 1988-89 and 1989-90 quantities of 250,000 tonnes and 222,000 tonnes would be imported. As per present estimates, the value of imports in 1988-89 would be around Rs. 86 crores. As the prices keep changing in the international market, it would not be possible to estimate the value of imports in 1989-90.

**Electrification of villages and pump sets energisation**

5283 SHRI BRAJAMOHAN MOHANTY : Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state :

(a) the names of the States which have failed to achieve the targets for village electrification and pump sets energisation during first two and a half years of Seventh Plan and the reasons therefor; and

(b) the number of pump sets which are out of order and out of use, State and Union Territory-wise ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF POWER IN THE MINISTRY OF ENERGY (SHRIMATI SUSHILA ROHTAGI) : (a) Assam, Bihar, Orissa, West Bengal, Meghalaya, Arunachal Pradesh, Gujarat, Jammu and Kashmir, Mizoram and Sikkim could not achieve the targets fixed for village electrification during the first two and a half years of the Seventh Plan. Assam, Bihar, Manipur, Meghalaya, Orissa, Nagaland and West Bengal could not achieve the targets in respect of pumpsets energisation during the first two and a half year of the Seventh Plan.

There are various reasons for non-achievement of the targets which include short supply of construction materials, difficult terrain in hilly and tribal areas, lack of demand, organisational deficiencies, etc,

(b) Information relating to the pumpsets out of order and out of use is not being collated.

[*Tranlation*]

**S.T.D. facility in States**

5284. SHRI ASHKARAN SANKHAWAR : Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state :

(a) the parts of the country where STD facility has been provided;

(b) the State-wise details in this regard; and

(c) the names of the other places where Government propose to provide this facility during the current year ?

THE MINISTER OF ENERGY AND MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI VASANT SATHE) : (a) and (b). List showing the names of the places provided with STD facility is laid on the table of the House.

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(c) Other places where this facility is proposed to be provided during 1987-88 are :

1. Bongaigaon (Assam)
2. Srivilliputtur (Tamilnadu)
3. Tundla (U.P.)
4. Bijnore (U.P)
5. Pithoragarh (U.P)
6. Hajipur (Bihar)
7. Nogore (Tamilnadu)

[*Translation*]

**Opening of Post Offices in Rural Areas in Kanpur**

5285. SHRI ASHKARAN SANKHAWAR : Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state :