[Translation]

Setting up of Thermal Power Station at Beichera Road, Uttar Pradesh

7743. SHRI RAJ KUMAR RAI: Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government have received any proposal for setting up a thermal power station at Belchera Road, district Balia, Uttar Pradesh;
- (b) if so, the action taken so far thereon and the time by which the thermal power station will be cleared by Government; and
 - (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF POWER IN THE MINISTRY OF ENERGY (SHRI KALP NATH RAI): (a) to (c). A feasibility report in respect of a thermal power plant (3x210MW) at Belthera Road in Ballia district in Uttar Pradesh was received in the Central Electricity Authority (CEA) in December, 1988 from the Uttar Pradesh State Electricity Board (UPSEB) who have been advised by the C.E.A. to furnish details in respect of various inputs (not included in the feasibility report) to enable further examination of the report.

The proposed scheme could be technoeconomically appraised after the statutory requirements as per Section 29 (2) of the Electricity (Supply) Act, 1948, have been complied with by the UPSEB and necessary inputs, such as coal linkage, as also various clearances, including from the environmental angle, have been tied up.

[English]

Thermal Power Project at Umred (Maharashtra)

7744. SHRI HUSSAIN DALWAI: Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state:

- (a) whether a proposal for a thermal power plant at Umred has been submitted to the Central Electricity Authroity by Maharashtra Government;
- (b) whether coal linkage for this project was envisaged from Umred coal mines;
- (c) if not, the reasons why the coal linkage for it could not be tied up;
- (d) whether there is any other coal linkage in the vicinity possible for this project; and
 - (e) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF POWER IN THE MINISTRY OF ENERGY (SHRI KALP NATH RAI): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c). The project report in respect of the proposed Umred thermal power station (2x210MW) envisaged linkage from the Umred/Makardhokda coalmines. The reserves at Umred are not adequate to support additional power generating capacity. While detailed exploration is in progress in a nearby area, it has not been feasible, for the present, to commit coal linkage for the proposed thermal station.

Training to Women Entrepreneurs by K.V.I.C.

7745. DR. PHULRENU GUHA: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

- (a) whether workshops are being conducted by Khadi and Village Industries Commission to specialise women entrepreneurs in textiles designing and dress designing in West Bengal;
- (b) if so, the details of such workshops held and the number of women trained during the last two years; and