

**Supply Of Coal to Raichur Thermal Power Plant**

7781. SHRI SRIKANTHA DATTA NARASIMHARAJA WADIYAR: Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Raichur Thermal Power plant in Karnataka is frequently facing the problem of coal shortage; and

(b) if so, the steps taken to ensure adequate supply of coal to that plant?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF POWER IN THE MINISTRY OF ENERGY (SHRI KALP NATH RAI): (a) and (b). The Raichur thermal power station is primarily linked with the Singareni Collieries Company Limited (SCCL), on long term basis. There are, at times, low coal stocks at the station whose requirements are being presently met from M/s. SCCL and M/s WCL.

**Academic activities of NISIET**

7782 SHRI MANIK REDDY. Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the committee appointed by Union Government to review the academic activities of the National Institute of Small Industry Extension and Training (NISIET), Hyderabad had recommended a high priority for research and consultancy; and

(b) if so the action taken thereon and the results achieved so far?

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

(b) The Review Committee which submitted its report in 1985 has stated that the

NISIET needs to develop special research literature to made academic impact deeper. Initially, separate allocation of funds was not made and most of the research undertaken by the Institute was of a sponsored nature. A sum of Rs. 3 lakhs have been budgeted during the year 1989-90 for this purpose.

**Consultancy division of NISIET**

7783. SHRI A. J. V.B. MAHESWARA RAO: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether a consultancy division was formed in 1975 by the National Institute of Small Industry and Extension Training (NISIET) at Hyderabad for fulfilling the needs of small industry; and

(b) if so, the details of its activities?

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

(b) The work done by consultancy division related to consultancy activities from 1975 onwards in respect of Advisory and counselling services for small industry entrepreneurs, Product/project identification, Industry opportunity studies, preparation of feasibility reports, preparation of guidelines for modernisation, revival of sick units, Technology transfer arrangement, preparation of status reports, training programmes culminating in consultancy assignments and management consultancy on request from small industries.

**Waiting List for LPG and LPG Facility in Karnataka**

7784. SHRI H.G. RAMULU: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state: