

**THE MINISTER OF ENERGY (SHRI VASANT SATHE):** (a) The coal reserves in Andhra Pradesh are estimated at 10,086 million tonnes by the Geological Survey of India. Of this the proved reserves is estimated at 4597 million tonnes only. Coal production during the year 1988-89 in Singareni Collieries Company, which operates the coal mines in A.P., was 18.60 million tonnes.

(b) and (c). Coal produced in SCCL mines is required to meet the demand of the entire southern part of the country including Andhra Pradesh. The gap between the demand and availability is partly covered by supplies from CIL sources.

**Telecommunication System in Shahjahanpur District (U.P.)**

5629. **SHRI JITENDRA PRASADA:** Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the telecommunication system in Shahjahanpur district is in a very deplorable condition;

(b) whether the subscribers have requested for installation of an electronic exchange in Shahjahanpur city; and

(c) if so, the action taken thereon?

**THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI GIRIDHAR GOMANGO):** (a) The telephone system in Shahjahanpur District is generally satisfactory.

(b) and (c). Yes, Sir. However, at present there no proposal for installation of an electronic exchange at Shahjahanpur. The existing MAX II type exchange is however, proposed to be replaced by 2000 lines I.C.P. (Indian X-bar Project.) type exchange during the eighth Plan.

[*Translation*]

**Safety Match Industry**

5630. **SHRI BALWANT SINGH RAMOOWALIA:**  
**SHRI DINESH GOSWAMI:**

Will the Minister of Industry be pleased to state:

(a) whether the attention of Government has been drawn to the news item captioned "Cottage Units" fears over Wimco's steps" appearing in the Financial Express dated 10 March, 1989;

(b) if so, whether as a result of policy regarding match industry announced in the Budget recently, the entrepreneurs in the cottage sector and facing serious crisis in running their industries;

(c) whether big industries engaged in manufacture of safety matches have been given more facilities than the small and cottage sector units;

(d) whether these small entrepreneurs have apprised Union Government about the crisis being faced by them; and

(e) if so, the steps proposed to be taken by Government to protect the interests of the small scale and cottage sector units?

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

(b) and (c). The excise duty on matches produced in different sectors have been reduced. While making the changes in duty structure, the interest of various sectors have been kept in view. In terms of percentages, the reduction is 31.25, 28.57 and

23.07 for cottage sector, handmade small scale sector and mechanical sector respectively.

(d). Yes, Sir.

(e) Does not arise in view of (b) and (c) above.

[English]

#### Units of KVIC In Andhra Pradesh

5631. SHRI V. TULSIRAM: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the units of Khadi and Village industries set up in Andhra Pradesh as on 31 December, 1988, district-wise;

(b) the details of such units proposed to be set up in that State during 1989 and 1990, districtwise; and

(c) how far the traditional handicrafts of Andhra Pradesh will be promoted by these units?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) The Details of district-wise break up of KVI units set up in Andhra Pradesh as on 31.3.1988 are given in the statement below.

(b) As per the tentative programme drawn up by KVIC 20 NMC units under Khadi and 9467 units under village industries and 31 NMC units under Khadi and 8777 units under village industries are proposed to be set up during 1988-89 and 1989-90 respectively. The location of the units to be set up are decided by the implementing agencies mainly State KVI Boards and KVI institutions depending upon potentialities and other local factors such as availability of raw-materials, local talents, water, power supply, transport and marketing etc.

(c) Khadi units will help in promoting traditional art of Andhra Fine Khadi and Village Industries Units will promote traditional handicrafts such as fancy fibre articles and palm products for which Andhra Pradesh is well-known.

#### STATEMENT

*Details of district-wise number of KVI units set up as on 31.3.1988 in Andhra Pradesh*

| S.No. | Name of the District | Number of Units |      |
|-------|----------------------|-----------------|------|
|       |                      | Khadi           | V.I. |
| 1     | 2                    | 3               | 4    |
| 1.    | East Godavari        | 73              | 5096 |
| 2.    | Guntur               | 45              | 6081 |
| 3.    | Kurnool              | 104             | 693  |
| 4.    | Anantapur            | 46              | 901  |
| 5.    | Srikakulam           | 33              | 5330 |
| 6.    | Mehboob Nagar        | 9               | 1170 |