

STATEMENT

The total consumption via-a-vis imports of crude, LPG and other petroleum products for the last three years are given below:-

Quantity: '000 Tonnes

| | <i>1985-86 (Actual)</i> | | <i>1986-87 (Actual)</i> | | <i>1987-88 (Actual)</i> | |
|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|-------------------------|------------------------------|-------------------------|------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| | <i>Total consumption</i> | <i>Import Total</i> | <i>Total consumption</i> | <i>Import Total</i> | <i>Total consumption</i> | <i>Import consumption</i> |
| Crude Oil | 42910 | 15144 | 45699 | 15476 | 47744 | 18045 |
| LPG | 1263 | 32 | 1512 | 22 | 1737 | 154 |
| Petroleum products other than LPG | 39631 | 3833 | 42165 | 3025 | 44683 | 3778 |

[English]

three financial years, separately;

Production of Paper

2598. SHRI DINESH GOSWAMI:
SHRIMATI BASAVARAJES-
WARI:
SHRI BALASAHEB VIKHE
PATIL:
SHRI BALWANT SINGH RA-
MOOWALIA:
SHRI V. TULSIRAM:

Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the production of paper in the country is on the decline due to scarcity of raw materials and continuous increase in cost price;

(b) if so, the production of paper and other packaging material during the last

(c) the quantity of paper likely to be produced during the current year and the demand during this period; and

(d) the steps proposed to be taken by Government to increase production of paper to meet the demand?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) No, Sir, the production of paper and paperboard in the country does not show a declining trend.

(b) The production of paper and paperboard during the last three years is as follows:-

| <i>Year</i> | <i>Production (in lakh tonne)</i> |
|-------------|---------------------------------------|
| 1986 | 15.80 |
| 1987 | 16.80 |
| 1988 | 17.20 |

(c) According to the Seventh Five Year Plan, the demand for paper and paperboard is expected to reach 18 lakh tonnes by 1989-90. The demand is expected to be met by indigenous production.

(d) The Following facilities have been extended to the industry to increase production and set up additional capacity in the country:

- i) The need for non-MRTP/non-FERA Companies to obtain Industrial Licences has been dispensed with, except for projects involving an investment in fixed assets of more than Rs 50 crores if they are located in Centrally declared backward areas, or more than Rs 15 crores if they are located in non-backward areas, subject to certain standard conditions.
- ii) Units commissioned upto 31.3.1990 are exempted from excise duty to the extent of 50% for a period of 5 years.
- iii) Paper Industry is encouraged to use non-conventional raw materials, and a number of concessions have been extended for use of such raw materials.
- iv) Requirement of Industrial Licence has been dispensed with in the case of manufacture of

writing, printing and wrapping paper from agricultural residues waste and bagasse.

- v) The scheme of minimum economic capacity has been extended to the Paper and Paperboard industry, including speciality papers, based on agricultural residues, and the minimum economic capacity fixed at 33,000 tonnes per annum.
- vi) Flexibility has been allowed to the industry to manufacture all varieties of paper and paper-grade pulp, including paperboard, straw-board, within the overall licensed capacity.
- vii) Facility of import of wood pulp, waste paper wood chips and logs under OGL is available to the paper Industry.

Power Generation and Distribution by State Electricity Boards

2599. SHRI K.P. UNNIKRISHNAN : Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) the installed capacity of power projects (Thermal, Hydro electric and Nuclear) and power generated and distributed by different State Electricity Boards and other organisations in 1986, 1987 and 1988, separately;

(b) the cost per unit of power generated and unit cost at which sold to Agriculture, Railways, Industries, small industries and domestic sector (Lighting and Power); and

(c) the profit or loss incurred during the corresponding period and the Transmission losses?

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