

Setting up of Atomic Power Plant in Andhra Pradesh

1447. SHRI P. RAJAGOPAL NAIDU: Will the Minister of ATOMIC ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether a survey has been made to set up an Atomic Power Plant in Andhra Pradesh;

(b) if so, the place selected; and

(c) the time by which it is proposed to be set up?

THE PRIME MINISTER (SHRI MORARJI DESAI): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c). The Committee appointed by Government for the selection of suitable sites for the setting up of nuclear power stations has examined a number of sites in the Southern Electricity Region of which Andhra Pradesh forms a part. The Committee's report is under consideration of Government.

Facilities to conduct Research in Space Science

1448. SHRI P. RAJAGOPAL NAIDU: Will the Minister of SPACE be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal to improve the facilities in Sriharikota to conduct research in Space Science; and

(b) if so, the main features thereof?

THE PRIME MINISTER (SHRI MORARJI DESAI): (a) Sriharikota is a rocket test and satellite launching range. No research in Space Science is conducted at the range; only technical and logistic support is provided to Space Scientists who may have experimental payloads on the vehicles launched from Sriharikota.

(b) Does not arise.

Industrial Complex at Renigunta

1449. SHRI P. RAJAGOPAL NAIDU: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state: —

(a) whether there is any proposal to start industrial complex at Renigunta in Andhra Pradesh; and

(b) if so, the date?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI BRIJ LAL VERMA): (a) There is already an industrial complex at Renigunta.

(b) 1975-76.

Introduction of district planning

1450. SHRI P. RAJAGOPAL NAIDU: Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to introduce district planning; and

(b) if so, the main features thereof?

THE PRIME MINISTER (SHRI MORARJI DESAI): (a) and (b). The Government has been emphasising from time to time the importance of introducing planning at district level. It will encourage State Governments to set up an appropriate machinery for planning at the district level.

Building of war ships

1451. SHRI SKARIAJI THOMAS: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government of India have formulated any scheme to build indigenously designed war ships in the country;

(b) if so, whether the site for the project has since been selected by Government; and

(c) the funds allocated for the purpose?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI JAGJIVAN RAM): (a) to (c). Indigenously designed smaller warships like Seaward Defence Boats and Landing Craft are already being manufactured in the country. It is now proposed to build indigenously designed Frigates also in continuation of the existing programme of construction of six Leander Class Frigates at Mazagaon Dock Ltd., Bombay. Allocation of funds for indigenous construction of warships for the Navy is decided from time to time, keeping in view the resources available for the Defence needs and the relative priorities of the various requirements of the three Defence Services. It will not be in the public interest to give any further details in this regard?

राजस्थान में लघु उद्योगों का विकास

1452. श्री कृष्ण कुमार गोयल :
श्री चतुर्भुज :

क्या उद्योग मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि गत तीन वर्षों में झारखण्ड सहित राजस्थान के पिछड़े जिलों में लघु उद्योगों को स्थापना में तेजी लाने के लिये सरकार ने क्या उपाय किये हैं तथा उनके क्या परिणाम निकले ?

उद्योग मंत्री (श्री बृजलाल वर्मा) : झालावाड़ सहित राजस्थान के पिछड़े जिलों के औद्योगीकरण में तेजी लाने के लिए सरकार द्वारा निम्नलिखित उपाय किए गए हैं :—

औद्योगिक सम्भाव्यता सर्वेक्षण कराया गया ; सम्भावित उद्योगों का पता लगाया

गया ; अदस्थापना सुविधाओं का विकास ; आर.० एफ.० सी.० द्वारा रियायती दर पर वित्त प्रदान करना ; ग्रामीण उद्योग परियोजना वाले जिलों के लिए कम ब्याज की दर लगाना ; और संसाधनों पर आधारित उद्योगों की विस्तृत संभाव्यता रिपोर्ट तथा निवेशपूर्व टिप्पण तैयार करना ।

इन उपायों के फलस्वरूप 1976-77 की अवधि में 1539 एकक स्थापित किए गए तथा 8564 व्यक्तियों को रोजगार प्रदान किया गया ।

Performance of Public Sector Industries in Ministry of Industry

1453. SHRI S. R. DAMANI: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) the performance both by value and volume of turnover of public sector industries falling under his Ministry during 1976-77 and how it compares with the previous year;

(b) the capacity utilization in each unit; and

(c) whether there are production losses if so, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI BRIJLAL VERMA): (a) Public Sector Undertakings and Government managed companies under the Department of Heavy Industry have achieved a total production of Rs. 828.78 crores for the year 1976-77, showing an increase of 10 per cent over the production of Rs. 751 crores in 1975-76 and 46 per cent higher than the production of Rs. 568 crores in 1974-75. This increase in production was largely through improved utilization of existing capacity and at more or less constant prices. The products manufactured by these Undertakings are tailor made, varying from year to year in