

पिछड़े जिलों में विकास केन्द्र

5007. श्री ईश्वर चौधरी : क्या उद्योग मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या केन्द्रीय सरकार ने प्रत्येक पिछड़े जिले में एक विकास केन्द्र स्थापित करने की योजना बनाई है;

(ख) क्या बिहार सरकार ने भी ऐसी किसी योजना के लिए केन्द्रीय सरकार से सहायता मांगी है; और

(ग) यदि हाँ, तो तत्सम्बन्धी ब्यौरा क्या है?

उद्योग मंत्री (श्री जार्ज फर्नांडिस) :

(क) और (ख). जी नहीं।

(ग) प्रश्न ही नहीं उठता।

Deterioration in Maintenance of Power Houses

5008. SHRI KISHORE LAL: Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether power generation has gone down in different States during last three months;

(b) whether it is due to growing unrest amongst the workers and consequent deterioration in maintenance of the power houses; and

(c) steps being taken to improve it?

THE MINISTER OF ENERGY (SHRI P. RAMACHANDRAN): (a) The All India generation during the months of April, May and June this year has been 7315,7314 and 7108 million units respectively as compared to the generation of 7834, 7260 and 8141 million units during the first three months of January, February and March respectively. The total generation during the period of April to June has been lower than the total generation during the period of January to March.

(b) There have been reports of unrest amongst the workers of power stations particularly in the Eastern Region. There was also some unrest amongst the workers in Badarpur Thermal Power Station for a time. However, the fall in generation during the last three months cannot be attributed wholly to the unrest amongst the workers as the decrease in generation was also due to a number of other factors like demand of the system going down with the commencement of the monsoons, lower generation from the Hydro-electric power stations due to lower reservoir levels on account of poor inflows during monsoons during last year and outages of thermal sets.

(c) Wherever unrest amongst the workers was reported, the concerned State Governments have been advised to have bilateral negotiations with the workers Unions on their demands to resolve the issues in a mutually satisfactory manner. All necessary steps are also being taken to improve the operation and maintenance of thermal generating units with a view to optimising generation from the thermal stations. As regards hydro-electric stations, with the onset of monsoons the hydel reservoirs are filling up and generation from these stations is expected to pick up.

Complaint against Chief Executive of M/s. Braithwaite, Burn and Jessop Construction Co. Ltd.

5009. MISS ABHA MAITI: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether any complaints of atrocities, excesses, unfair labour practices and victimisation of Trade Union leaders against the Chief Executive of the Company M/s. Braithwaite, Burn and Jessop Construction Co. Ltd., Calcutta, have been received by Government from B. B. J. Sramic Union;

(b) if so, whether any probe is going to be held into these allegations;