

(c) whether there is heavy short fall;

(d) if so, what action Government contemplates to take and by what date this short fall is likely to be completed; and

(e) whether the Ministry is considering about the crash programme for filling up these vacancies, similar to that adopted by Ministry of Railways?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN CHARGE OF THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING & TRANSPORT (SHRI CHAND RAM): (a) to (e). The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

#### Terms and Allowances for the post of Field Marshal

5680. SHRI RUDOLPH RODRIGUES: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have prescribed any terms, conditions, and specific allowances for the post of a Field Marshal;

(b) if so, what are these; and

(c) if not, what proposals, if any, are under consideration in this matter?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI JAGJIVAN RAM): (a) to (c). Government have not prescribed any set terms and conditions or allowances for a Field Marshal. When General SHFJ Maneckshaw was promoted to the rank of Field Marshal, with effect from 1st January, 1973, he was allowed an additional salary of Rs. 500 per mensem over and above his salary of Rs. 4000 p.m., as Chief of the Army Staff. He drew this total salary of Rs. 4500 upto the end of six months leave following his relinquishment of the post of Chief of the Army Staff. Even thereafter, he was not transferred to the retired list but continues to be on the active list for life. From 15th July 1973, the Field Marshal was sanctioned—besides his normal pension of Rs. 1200 per mensem as Chief of the

Army Staff—an additional sum of Rs. 400 p.m. as special pay. He is also entitled to certain *ad hoc* pensionary reliefs granted from time to time generally to Army personnel.

#### Badarpur Thermal Power Station

5681. SHRI JANARDHANA POOJARY:

SHRI RAJENDRA KUMAR SHARMA:

Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that two of the three units of Badarpur Thermal Power Station remain out of order which may result in the serious power crisis in the capital; and

(b) if so, the remedial measures taken?

THE MINISTER OF ENERGY (SHRI P. RAMACHANDRAN): (a) and (b). The power requirement in Delhi is met by generation from DESU's own Power Stations and Badarpur Thermal Power Station. In the case of any shortfall in the availability of power, assistance is also taken from neighbouring power systems in the Northern Region. There is, therefore, no apprehension of any serious power crisis in the capital. Various steps are also being taken to improve the performance of generating units at Badarpur Thermal Power Station, where at present two units are working. It is expected that performance of generating units at Badarpur Thermal Power Station would improve after necessary modifications and renovations which have been agreed upon with the equipment manufacturers have been completed.

निगम की बत्तों से कुचटनाएँ होना

5682. श्री नोबिन्दा राम मिरी: क्या मौज्जुद और परिवहन मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) दिल्ली परिवहन निगम द्वारा बनाई जा रही स्थानीय बसों में बढ़ते तथा