

## Statement

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			Chief Editor (Pay scale)	Editor/ Senior Corrpd. (Pay scale)	Assistant Editor (Pay scale Rs. 470-750)	Sub-Editor (Pay scale)
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1	Yojana (English)	Fortnightly	1	..	2	1
2	Yojana (Hindi)	Do.	..	1	1	1
3	Kurukshetra (English)	Do.	..	1	2	1
4	Kurukshetra (Hindi)	Monthly	..	..	1	1
5	Bal Bharati (Hindi)	Do.	..	1	..	1
6	Ajkal (Hindi)	Do	..	1	..	1
7	Ajkal (Urdu)	Do.	..	1	..	1
8	Indian & Foreign Review (Eng.)	Fortnightly.	1	..	2	1

NOTE. The incumbent of the post of Chief Editor (Yojana) is responsible for coordination and supervision of editing work of all the other language editions of the 'Yojana'. Also, there has been no change in the above staffing pattern for the last three years, except that the post of the Assistant Editor for "Bal Bharati" (Hindi) was converted in the post of Editor in February, 1979.

It may also be mentioned that yet another journal "Bhagirath"—Hindi and English is printed by Publications Division on behalf of the Ministry of Agriculture and Irrigation but without having any control upon its policy and staffing pattern.

**Closing of Guru Nanak Dev Thermal Plant for want of Coal ..**

**7304. SHRI IQBAL SINGH  
DHILLON:**

**CHOWDHRY BALBIR  
SINGH:**

**DR. BALDEV PRAKASH:  
SHRI GANGA SINGH:**

Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Guru Nanak Dev Thermal Plant has been completely closed on 21st March, 1979 for want of coal;

(b) whether the said plant had been operating by fits and starts since January for want of coal only;

(c) if so, whether the people of Punjab are suffering heavy losses because of the closure of this plant; and

(d) the reasons why coal was not supplied to this plant in time to enable its regular functioning?

**THE MINISTER OF ENERGY  
(SHRI P. RAMACHANDRAN):** (a)  
No, Sir.

(b) Availability of linked quantity of coal was also a constraint in the operation of the station.

(c) The question of people of Punjab suffering heavy losses does not arise as the shortfall in generation from thermal power station was fully made up by proportional increase in hydro generation.

(d) This thermal station is linked with CCL and WCL mines and the quantity of coal received from both these sources had been less than the allocation due to number of reasons

such as shortage of wagons, labour problems being facted both by coal suppliers and Railways and delay in release of wagons by the power station.

#### Liberalization for Import of Crude Oil and Petroleum Products

7305 SHRI YADVENDRA DUTT: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM, CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

(a) whether in reply to Starred Question No. 391 on 20th March, 1979, the Minister of State for Petroleum accepted the suggestion of Shri R K Amin regarding liberalization of import of crude oil and petroleum products in view of comfortable foreign exchange position;

(b) if so, whether Government propose to liberalise the import of petrol and petroleum products through private agencies or State agencies; and

(c) whether the acceptance by the Minister of State for Petroleum of the suggestion referred to in part (a) above has not contravened the announced policy of the Government that petrol and petroleum products will be imported on a State to State basis according to the need of the country.

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM, CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI H. N. BAHUGUNA): (a) From the record of discussion in the Lok Sabha on 20.3.1979, it would be seen that the Minister of State for Petroleum had only agreed to examine the suggestion relating to liberalisation of import of petrol and petroleum products in relation to the comfortable position of foreign exchange.

(b) and (c). The requirements of crude oil/product imports are determined each year on the basis of estimated overall demand for petro-

leum products, the expected availability of indigenous crude oil and the available refining capacity in the country. Imports of products are planned only after optimising crude processing in the refineries in the country. Simultaneously, steps are being taken to reduce consumption of petroleum products to the extent possible.

The bulk of our crude oil and products imports are in terms of contract with the National Oil Companies of the Oil Producing Countries. There is no change in the existing policy providing for canalised import of crude oil and petroleum products only through public sector undertakings under the guidelines issued by the Government from time to time. There is no proposal to allow the import of crude oil and petroleum products through private agencies

#### Gulbarga and Bhadravati Relaying Stations

7306. SHRI F. H. MOHSIN: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether the present relaying stations at Gulbarga and Bhadravati would be made independent stations since those stations have been working for a long time; and

(b) how much time it would take to make them independent?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI L. K. ADVANI): (a) and (b). It is proposed to convert the auxiliary centres at Gulbarga and Bhadravati into full-fledged programme originating stations by setting up permanent studios at Gulbarga and Shimoga (for AIR Bhadravati) during the Sixth Plan period (1978-83).