

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENERGY (SHRI VIKRAM MAHAJAN): (a) New sites for Super Thermal Power Stations would include Kohalgaon in Bihar.

(b) The site for detailed investigation of Kohalgaon for locating a Super Thermal Station has been taken up by the NTPC. Action to set up Phase-I of the Farakka Thermal Station has already been taken up. The installation of additional thermal capacity based on Rajmahal Coal, is dependent on the completion of necessary investigations and the development of coal potential, and development of other infrastructural facilities.

(c) The proposed source of coal supply for these projects is Hurra coal basin and Chuperbhita coal basin lying about 28 kms. south of Hurra. The geographical distance from Hurra to Kohalgaon and Farakka is about 43 kms. and 60 kms. respectively and from Chuperbhita to Farakka and Kohalgaon it is 48 and 69 kms. respectively.

Handing over of the Dandakaranya Project to Orissa State Government

1791. SHRI CHINTAMANI PANIGRAHI: Will the Minister of SUPPLY AND REHABILITATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to hand-over Dandakaranya Project to the Orissa Administration; and

(b) if so, when this is being done?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF SUPPLY AND REHABILITATION (SHRI P. K. THUNGON): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Programme Advisory Committee for A.I.R. Bombay Station

1792. SHR R. K. MHALGI: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether a Programme Advisory Committee for All India Radio, Bombay Station, was constituted in February, 1980;

(b) what are the names/designations/qualifications of the members of the said Committee;

(c) whether the said Committee was dissolved on 5th May, 1980;

(d) what is the normal tenure of such a committee and what are the reasons for the dissolution of the said Committee; and

(e) when the new Programme Advisory Committee is likely to be constituted?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRIMATI RAM DULARI SINHA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The names/designations/qualifications of the members of the Programme Advisory Committee, AIR, Bombay are given in the attached statement.

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) The normal tenure of the Programme Advisory Committee was two years. However, after careful consideration, Government decided to abolish Programme Advisory Committees at AIR Stations.

(e) The question of re-constitution of these Committees will be considered in due course.