

been shortages in the supply of cooking gas (LPG) in the Raniganj area due to the reduced availability of LPG from the Haldia refinery, the industrial relations problems in the Pharpur Bottling plant of Hindustan Petroleum Corporation (HPCL).

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) Steps have been taken to move LPG from alternate sources to the extent possible. The supply position of LPG is expected to improve in the area with the resumption of normal production in Haldia refinery and with the settlement of the industrial relations problems at the bottling plant of Hindustan Petroleum Corporation.

**Power Projects Awaiting Clearance**

8947. SHRI S. B. SIDNAL: Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) the number of power projects awaiting clearance from the Centre at present; and

(b) the steps proposed to clear these projects at an early date?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENERGY (SHRI VIKRAM MAHAJAN): (a) Power generation projects presently awaiting clearance from the Centre are listed in Annexures 1 and 2 laid on the Table of the House. [Placed in Library. See No. LT-2454/81].

(b) The appraisal of these projects is being expedited by arranging discussions with project authorities, site inspections and proper co-ordination with various agencies involved, like Central Water Commission, Department of Coal, Railways etc.

**Loss Suffered by Barauni Fertilizer Unit**

8948. SHRI S. M. KRISHNA: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM, CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state whether the Barauni fertilizer unit suffered a loss of Rs. 51 crores during the last five years?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM, CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI DALBIR SINGH): The Barauni Fertilizer Unit suffered a loss of about Rs. 54 crores during the last 5 years.

**Town and Villages in Haroti Region of Rajasthan, Electrified upto 31st December, 1980**

8949. SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR GOYAL: Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of towns and villages in the Haroti region comprising Kota, Bundi and Jhalawar districts of Rajasthan which have been electrified upto 31st December, 1980;

(b) the total number of villages which are yet to be electrified;

(c) whether any target has been fixed for electrifying villages during this year; and

(d) the time by which all the villages in the Haroti region will be provided electricity?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENERGY (SHRI VIKRAM MAHAJAN): (a) and (b). Details regarding the total number of towns and villages, the number of those electrified up to 31-12-1980 and the number of villages remaining to be electrified in the Haroti Region comprising Kota, Bundi and Jhalawar districts of Rajasthan are indicated below:

Name of District	Total No. of towns	Towns electrified upto 31-12-80	Total No. of census inhabited villages	Villages electrified upto 31-12-80	No. of villages remaining to be electrified beyond Dec., 1980
Kota	6	6	1905	779	1126
Bundi	4	4	789	256	473
Jhalawar	5	5	1441	487	954