

automatic ones and reduction of oversized foreign materials in the coalfield bunkers are some of the measures suggested for immediate execution at Thermal Power Stations in the country;

(b) if so, what are the other suggestions among the problems identified by the experts at the seminar recently held in New Delhi; and

(c) the reaction of Government thereto ?

**THE MINISTER OF STATE  
IN THE MINISTRY OF ENERGY  
(SHRI VIKRAM MAHAJAN) :**

(a) Mechanised coal handling plants at the mines are being installed in a phased manner to ensure adequate supply of coal for the thermal power stations.

(b) and (c). we are not aware as to which seminar is being referred to by the Hon'ble Member. However, a seminar which was held some time ago in New Delhi in which the Chief Executives of the Coal Companies and the representatives of coal consumers had participated did not discuss the matter referred to in part (a) of the Question though there was general discussion on measures for improving quality of coal.

#### **Allotment of Liquid Cooking Gas for Ladakh**

5770. SHRI P. NAMGYAL : Will the Minister of PETROLEUM CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state :

(a) Total quantity of liquid cooking gas allotted to Jammu and Kashmir State for the years 1977-78, 1978-79, 1979-80 and 1980-81, separately;

(b) whether it is a fact that J&K State has claimed separate quota of liquid gas for Ladakh region and

the same has been allotted by the Centre;

(c) if so, the total quantity of cooking gas allotted for Ladakh's quota; and

(d) if the reply be in the negative, whether Government propose to allot separate quota for Ladakh in view of non-availability of fire-wood in that region ?

**THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM, CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI P.C. SETHI) :**

(a) There is no system of allotment of cooking gas to the States. However, the total quantity of Liquefied Petroleum Gas supplied to the State of Jammu and Kashmir during the period from 1977-81 is approximately as follows :

(In Metric Tonnes)

Year	Quantity
1977-78	1773
1978-79	1682
1979-80	1942
1980-81	1452

(Figure upto December 1980)

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Does not arise.

(d) No such proposal to allot a separate quota of cooking gas for the Ladakh area of Jammu and Kashmir is presently under the consideration of this Ministry.

#### **Allotment of Liquid Cooking Gas to States**

5771. SHRI P. NAMGYAL : Will the Minister of PETROLEUM CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to lay a statement showing;

(a) year-wise total quantity of liquid cooking gas allotted to each