

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM, CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI P. SHIV SHANKAR) : (a) and (b). There is a proposal to study the use of Liquefied Petroleum Gas (LPG) in buses fitted with diesel engines. Bench tests are proposed to be carried out at the Indian Institute of Petroleum, Dehra Dun, and the Research and Development Centre of the Indian Oil Corporation with conversion kits imported from a Dutch Research Institute. Field trials would be conducted thereafter to examine the suitability of this application in India. There is no proposal to introduce LPG in buses with petrol engines.

उत्तर प्रदेश में गैस पर आधारित उर्वरक संयंत्रों की स्थापना

2646. श्री मन्दी राम बागड़ी : क्या पेट्रोलियम, रसायन और उर्वरक मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या सरकार का विचार उत्तर प्रदेश में गैस पर आधारित कुछ उर्वरक संयंत्रों की स्थापना करने की है ; और

(ख) यदि हां, तो उनकी प्रस्तावित संख्या क्या है तथा वे किन-किन स्थानों पर लगाए जाएंगे और इस संबंध में ब्यौरा क्या है :

पेट्रोलियम, रसायन और उर्वरक मंत्री (श्री पी. शिव शंकर) : (क) और (ख) उत्तर प्रदेश में गैस पर आधारित चार उर्वरक प्लांट लगाने का विचार है। इन प्लांटों के सही स्थल पर निर्णय तभी लिया जाएगा जब गैस पर आधारित उर्वरक प्लांटों के सही स्थल पर सरकार द्वारा स्थल चयन समिति की रिपोर्ट का मूल्यांकन किया जाये जो हाल ही में प्राप्त हुई है। उसके बाद ही अन्य ब्यौरों को अन्तिम रूप देने की कार्यवाही की जा सकेगी।

SCs/STs in grade of Divisional Engineer Telephones in the Rajasthan Telephone Circle

2647. SHRI BHEEKHABHAI : Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state :

(a) the total number of Divisional Engineers Telephones in Rajasthan Circle (under General Manager Telephones) ;

(b) the percentage of Scheduled Tribes and Scheduled Castes in the grade of Divisional Engineer in the Rajasthan Telephone Circle;

(c) the reasons why adequate representation has not been given to the Scheduled Tribe and Scheduled Caste P&T employees in the Rajasthan Circle;

(d) total number of posts reserved in the grade of Divisional Engineer Telephones in the Rajasthan Circle (under General Manager Telephones); and

(e) what is Government's policy to give full representation quota to ST and SC P&T employees.

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI YOGENDRA MAKWANA) : (a) Against the sanctioned strength of 29 D. Es in Rajasthan Telecom, Circle (including Jaipur Telephone Distt.) the present working strength is 28.

(b) 21.4%.

(c) and (d). There is reservation for SC and ST employees in the cadre of DE as a whole on all India basis and not separately for Circles/Distt. etc.

(e) the procedure prescribed by DOP & AR and uniformly applicable in all the Departments of the

Government of India is strictly followed by the P & T Department also.

### Income and Expenditure of Filmotsav-82

2648. SHRI RUP CHAND PAL : Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state :

(a) the details of the income and expenditure incurred on holding Filmotsav-82 at Calcutta ; and

(b) what was the quantum of business transacted in the same Filmotsav ?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI VASANT SATHE) : (a) and (b). The detailed accounts of income and expenditure are under preparation. However, according to unaudited estimates the total expenditure incurred on holding Filmotsav' 82 was 40.12 lakhs. Income from sale of tickets was Rs. 33.86 lakhs. Apart from this, business transaction worth Rs. 33,54,500 was involved by selling 71 films to 4 countries. These are approximate figures only.

### Large Untapped Coal Deposits and possibility for five Super Thermal Power Stations of 2000 MW

2649. SHRI PRATAP BHANU SHARMA : Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that by tapping large untapped coal deposits in Madhya Pradesh there can be at least five super thermal power stations of 2000 MW each; and

(b) if so, what effective steps Government are taking to explore the possibilities of new super thermal power stations in M. P. ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENERGY (SHRI VIKRAM MAHAJAN) : (a) and (b). According to present estimates, Madhya Pradesh has coal reserves of 18 billion tonnes of coal upto a depth of 600 meters and upto seam thickness of 1.2 meters.

The National Thermal Power Corporation is executing the project for the setting up of a 2100 MW super thermal power station at Korba in M. P. It has also prepared the feasibility report for the setting up of a 2260 M. W. super thermal power station at Waidhan in Sidhi District of M. P. and stage-I of the project of 1260 MW has been granted techno-economic clearance by the Central Electricity Authority and is being processed for an investment decision.

### Automatic Telephone Exchange system in Mettur (Tamil Nadu)

2650. SHRI K. ARJUNAN: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state :

(a) is automatic telephone exchange system proposed to be introduced in Mettur (Tamil Nadu) which is an important township on industrial map; and

(b) is it proposed to bring Mettur Dam, Mettur R. S. Mechevi, Nangavalli and Kolathur under one exchange because all are within 15 K.Ms. ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI YOGENDRA MAKWANA) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) There is a proposal to bring Mettur Dam, Mettur R. S., Mechevi, Mangavalli and Kolathur under one inter-dialing system.