

(d) effective steps devised to minimise such losses?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENERGY (SHRI VIKRAM MAHAJAN): (a) and (b). The cost over-run and time over run in respect of each of the installed Thermal and Hydro Power Generating Unit is not readily available.

(c) In respect of the ongoing thermal and hydro projects the estimated cost at which the projects were sanctioned and the latest estimated cost of these, and expected commissioning with reference to sanction for the scheme and the latest assessment on commissioning is given in the statements laid on the Table of the House. (Placed in Library. See No. LT-3780|82).

(d) In order to speed up the commissioning of the power projects, Construction Monitoring Directorates have been set up in the Central Electricity Authority (CEA) to closely monitor the various activities of the Projects. Coordination and review meetings are regularly held in the CEA with the project authorities, equipment suppliers and manufacturers, construction agencies etc. A close watch is kept on all constraints for corrective action. CEA's senior officers visit project sites and take up the matter with the appropriate authorities for removing the bottlenecks. Review meetings are also held in the Department of Power for appropriate action with the State Governments as well as at the level of the Union Government. Meetings of Power Ministers of States at the level of Minister for Energy, have also been held at National level at which the commissioning of ongoing power projects was reviewed for taking remedial action.

Delivery Allowance to Branch Postmasters in Balangir Division

5883. SHRI CHINTAMANI PANIGRAHI: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that in Balangir Postal Division in Orissa

Circle, 75 per cent Branch Post Masters who perform the delivery work are not getting delivery allowance; and

(a) if so, whether he proposes to take any steps to allow them delivery allowances soon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI YOGENDRA MAKWANA): (a) and (b). There are 320 E.D.B.P.M. in Balangir Division who are doing delivery work in addition to their own duties. Out of them 240 Branch Postmasters are already in receipt of Delivery allowance. The case of the remaining 80 E.D.B.P.M. for grant of delivery allowance is being examined.

इंडियन ड्रग्स फार्मास्युटिकल लि०
के एककों में घाटा

5884. श्री राम लाल राही : क्या पेट्रोलियम, रसायन और उर्वरक मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि इस समय देश के विभिन्न स्थानों में सरकार द्वारा संचालित औषध निर्भावी एकक घाटे में चल रही है और यदि हां, तो उसके क्या कारण हैं ; और

(ख) इंडियन ड्रग्स एण्ड फार्मास्युटिकल लि० के ऋषिकेश, देहरादून, हैदराबाद, मद्रास, गुड़गांव और मुजफ्फरपुर स्थित एकक कब से घाटे में चल रही है तथा इसके क्या कारण हैं और इस घाटे को रोकने के लिए सरकार ने अब तक क्या कार्यवाही की है ?

पेट्रोलियम, रसायन और उर्वरक मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री वलबीर सिंह) : (क) जी हां । हानि के मुख्य कारण हैं :—

(1) भट्टी तेल और बिजली जैसे कच्चे मालों और उपयोगिताओं की लागत में वृद्धि ।