

JAGAN NATH KAUSHAL): (a) and (b). The required information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Super Thermal Power Project at Manguru in A.P.

807. SHRI M. RAM GOPAL REDDY: Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal under Government's consideration to set up a Super Thermal Power Project at Manguru in Andhra Pradesh; and

(b) if so, by when it is going to be set up?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENERGY (SHRI VIKRAMA MAHAJAN): (a) and (b). Studies have been undertaken by NTPC to examine the feasibility of a large pit head thermal power station at Manguru in Andhra Pradesh. The proposal is under examination.

Power shortage in Delhi

808. SHRI P. RAJAGOPAL NAIDU:

SHRI S. M. KRISHNA:

Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is power shortage in Delhi; and

(b) if so, the action taken by Government to increase power generation in the capital?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENERGY (SHRI VIKRAM MAHAJAN): (a) and (b). There is no power shortage in Delhi due to inadequate power generation. But to meet future power requirements of Delhi, Delhi is being given a share in all Central power projects.

Digging of wells for petroleum/gas in Godavari Basin

809. SHRI P. RAJAGOPAL NAIDU: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM, CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are resuming digging of wells to find out petroleum and gas in Godavari Basin; and

(b) if so, the results thereof?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM, CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI P. SHIV SHANKAR): (a) Exploratory drilling is in Progress.

(b) There have been indications of hydrocarbons both in the Offshore and Onshore wells. However no commercial field has so far been established.

Survey for petroleum in Bay of Bengal

810. SHRI P. RAJAGOPAL NAIDU: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM, CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are conducting survey in Bay of Bengal for getting petroleum; and

(b) if so, the results thereof?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM, CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI P. SHIV SHANKAR): (a) No, Sir. During 1978-79 a review of the data both offshore and onshore of West Bengal basin was done. Subsequently seismic surveys in the shallow water area off the Bay of Bengal adjoining the Sunderbans and along the rivers of the Sunderbans were commenced in November, 1979 and completed by June, 1981.

(b) Although the processing of survey data has been completed the results will only be known after the data is interpreted.