

electricity duty, etc. The Corporation will also provide facility for quality marking and marketing of the products.

The Training Centre started functioning in Feb. 1981 in the rented premises near the Complex and the industrial sheds are expected to be ready early in 1983. The Complex on commissioning will provide direct employment to 1500 persons.

Heavy water production programme

2079. SHRI N.K. SHEJWALKAR:
SHRI BABURAO PARAN-
JEE:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the heavy water production programme of the Department of Atomic Energy is in shambles;

(b) if not, the reasons for failure to find required heavy water for the first unit of the Madras Atomic Power Project; and

(c) the overall loss suffered due to this reason?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY, ELECTRONICS AND ENVIRONMENT AND OCEAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI C.P.N. SINGH): (a) to (c) The Heavy Water Plants in operation and under commissioning are based on extremely sophisticated technology with no back-up experience available for solving the various problems that have arisen from time to time. On account of these problems and the non-availability of heavy water from external sources without full scope safeguards there has been delay in making the required quantity of heavy water available for the first unit of Madras Atomic Power Project. Non-availability of heavy water was only one of the factors for the delay.

Setting up of industries in Madhubani and Darbhanga

2080. SHRI BHOGEN德拉 JHA: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to refer to the reply given to Unstarred Question No. 7692 on 14 April, 1982 regarding setting up of industries in Madhubani and Darbhanga and state:

(a) whether any industrial seminar was held at Madhubani in the 1st week of June, 1982;

(b) if so, details thereof;

(c) what is the hurdle in the way of young entrepreneurs in Madhubani, Darbhanga and adjoining backward districts in starting small scale industries, particularly those for self-employment and what steps, are being taken to overcome the same;

(d) whether project reports for hard-board made out of straw are not available with Small Industries Development Organisation, District Industries Centres, Small Industries service Institute or any other agency; and

(e) if so, reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY AND STEEL AND MINES (SHRI NARAYAN DATT TIWARI): (a) Yes, Sir, an Intensive Industrial Development Campaign was held at Madhubani in the first week of June, 1982

(b) 84 people participated in the Campaign. All the bankers including representatives from Bihar State Financial Corporation participated in the Campaign. 64 units got registered themselves on the spot.

(c) No specific difficulties and hurdles in respect of young entrepreneurs have been brought to the notice of the Government. The District Industries Centres have been set up to render assistances to the entrepreneurs.

(d) and (e) Manufacture of hard-board from straw is not economically feasible in the small scale sector.