

पूर्वोत्तर रेलवे पर समस्तीपुर रेलवे
स्टेशन की सहकारी समिति के
लिए फल बेचने का ठेका

7409. श्री राम भगत पासवान : क्या
रेल मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या दिनांक 10 मार्च, 1969 को
पंजीकृत पूर्वोत्तर रेलवे पर समस्तीपुर रेलवे
स्टेशन की सहकारी समिति ने रेलवे अधि-
कारियों से फल बेचने के लिए ठेका प्राप्त करने
के हेतु मांग की थी तथा रियायती दरों की
पेशकश की थी; और

(ख) यदि हां, तो उक्त समिति को फलों
का ठेका न दिये जाने के क्या कारण हैं ?

रेल मंत्री (श्री हनुमंतैया) : (क) और
(ख). समस्तीपुरी स्टेशन पर फल बेचने का
ठेका पूर्वोत्तर रेलवे वेंडिंग और कंटीन सहकारी
समिति लिमिटेड समस्तीपुर को आवंटित कर
दिया गया है।

**Operational Efficiencies in Tarapore and
Rana Pratap Sagar Atomic
Power Stations**

7410. SHRI D. D. DESAI : Will the
Minister of IRRIGATION AND POWER
be pleased to state :

(a) whether nuclear Power Stations at
Tarapore and Rana Pratap Sagar will
have better operational efficiencies with
base-loads and not with peak-loads ;

(b) whether Government will interlink
Tarapore and Rana Pratap Sagar Atomic
Stations by regional EHT line connecting
Udaipur and Ahmedabad to ensure base-load
for both of the above nuclear Stations ; and

(c) if so, the steps Government have
taken or propose to take in the matter ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE
MINISTRY OF IRRIGATION AND
POWER (SHRI B. N. KUREEL) : (a) Yes,
Sir.

(b) The feasibility of constructing a
220 KV single circuit line between Debari
(Udaipur) in Rajasthan and Naroda
(Ahmedabad) in Gujarat which will serve as
an inter-regional link has been accepted by
Government. This line will besides permit-
ting mutual exchange of power by the
Western and Northern Regional Power
Systems will incidentally help ensure
optimum utilisation of power from both
Tarapore and Rajasthan Atomic Power
Projects.

(c) The State Governments of Rajasthan
and Gujarat have been asked to prepare and
submit project reports and estimates for the
works. These States have also been autho-
rised to take up the preliminary works on
the line.

**Unutilised Capacity in Zinc Oxide
Industry**

7411. SHRI ESWARA REDDY : Will
the Minister of INDUSTRIAL DEVELOP-
MENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether there is a large unutilised
capacity in the zinc oxide industry ;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor ; and

(c) the steps taken by Government to
ensure full utilisation of the existing capacity
in the industry ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE
MINISTRY OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOP-
MENT (SHRI GHANSHYAM OZA) :
(a) and (b). As Zinc Oxide is being substi-
tuted by Titanium Dioxide in some of the
consumer industries, there has been fall in
demand for this item and consequently there
is under utilisation of existing capacity in
this industry.

(c) The manufacturers are trying to enter
the export market to ensure full utilisation
of the existing capacity.

**Closure of Engineering Factories in West
Bengal, Bihar and Tamil Nadu due
to Shortage of Raw Materials**

7412. SHRI DINEN BHATTA-
CHARYYA : Will the Minister of INDUS-