

Expenditures incurred on Test Relief work under Crash Programme in Orissa

2707 SHRI SHYAM SUNDER MOHA-PATRA Will the Minister of IRRIGATION AND POWER be pleased to state

(a) whether any test relief work under crash programme is in vogue now in Balasore and Mayurbhanj districts in Orissa and if so the number of persons employed and places thereof , and

(b) how much money was spent between September 1973 and December 1973 on such work ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF IRRIGATION AND POWER (SHRI SIDDHESHWAR PRASAD) (a) and (b) The State Government of Orissa have reported that on the test relief work in the closing of canal breaches for the restoration of Ribi irrigation and closing of breaches in flood and saline embankments in Mayurbhanj and Balasore districts one thousand persons have been employed. The total amount spent from September to December, 1973 was Rs 7.03 lakhs.

Supply of Power to Industries in Orissa

2708 SHRI SHYAM SUNDER MOHA-PATRA Will the Minister of IRRIGATION AND POWER be pleased to state

(a) whether power cut has been imposed on industries in Orissa

(b) if so to what extent the industries have been affected and

(c) the criterion for quantum of power to be supplied to industries ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF IRRIGATION AND POWER (SHRI SIDDHESHWAR PRASAD) (a) There is no power cut in Orissa at present.

(b) and (c). Do not arise

Purchase Rate of Crude Oil

2709 SHRI SHYAM SUNDER MOHA-PATRA Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS be pleased to state the purchase rate of crude by Government, the cost after it is refined and the duty imposed by Government thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS (SHRI SHAHNAWAZ KHAN) There is no standard purchase rate of crude oil. The FOB price depends upon the quality, the source of supply and the arrangement/agreement under which the import is made. The indigenous producers of crude oil get a sale price which is determined by Government from time to time. A number of products are obtained from the crude oil after refining. As this is a case of joint production, it is not possible to determine the cost of production of individual products. The refineries are however allowed CIF prices for various products so as to give them some overall margin after meeting the cost of their entire operations. Different products bear different rates of import/excise duties.

Defects in the Compressor of Paraxylene Plant

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Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS be pleased to state

(a) whether Government are aware of the failure of West German manufacturers to rectify the defects in a sophisticated Compressor of the Paraxylene Plant which has thrown the petrochemical production programme out of gear and given a serious blow to the Rs 28 crore aromatic project of the Koyali petrochemical complex ,

(b) whether it is a repeated failure of the compressor and it has seriously affected the working of the other units of the aromatic project , and