

occurred since its formulation and the need, if any, in the re-allocation of priorities for the Fifth Plan will also be examined before its finalisation.

(b) it is not possible to indicate the details at this stage.

Setting up of Mini Power Plants

454. SHRI SUKHDEO PRASAD VERMA: Will the Minister of IRRIGATION AND POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to set up Mini Power Plants to meet the needs of the rural areas; and

(b) if so, the main features thereof and the time by which the plants are likely to be set up?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF IRRIGATION AND POWER (SHRI SIDDHESHWAR PRASAD): (a) and (b). The State Governments and State Electricity Boards have taken up electrification of remote/hilly isolated rural areas by installation of diesel sets or micro-hydel sets at appropriate locations. These are usually installations with a capacity of a few hundred kW. A large number of such schemes are in operation or under construction in J. & K, H.P., U.P. Arunachal Pradesh, etc. The Rural Electrification Corporation have also proposals to finance small power generation projects for power supply in remote and isolated rural areas.

Probe into Power Breakdown in Delhi in June, 74

455. SHRI SUKHDEO PRASAD VERMA: Will the Minister of IRRIGATION AND POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether a severe power breakdown hit all parts of the Union Terri-

tory of Delhi including Railway Stations and Hospitals on the 3rd June, 1974; and

(b) whether Government have investigated the causes and if so, the results thereof?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF IRRIGATION AND POWER (SHRI SIDDHESHWAR PRASAD): (a) It has been reported by Delhi Electric Supply Undertaking that all the five Units of I.P. Station tripped simultaneously on 3rd June, 1974, resulting in a power break-down in most parts of Delhi.

(b) The enquiry conducted by Delhi Electric Supply Undertaking showed that the main cause of the break-down was the failure of the protective system to isolate a fault on one of the cable terminals in the switchyard of 'B' station.

Suggestion from Delhi T.V. Centre to increase the rates offered to Distributors for showing Feature Films

456. SHRI SUKHDEO PRASAD VERMA: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Delhi Television Centre have requested Government to increase the rates offered to distributors for showing their feature films; and

(b) if so, the reaction of Government thereto?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI DHARAM BIR SINHA): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.