

(vi) Provision of double compartment meter boxes on the consumers' premises to prevent tampering with the meters.

(vii) Provision of out-cuts after the meters to avoid direct tapping of power.

(viii) Use of PVC multi-core cables as service mains instead of single core VIR wires to make direct tapping very obvious.

(ix) Provision of potential links inside the body of the meter instead of under terminal cover to prevent tampering with the meter.

(x) Regular check readings by the engineers of Boards at different levels and report of checks sent to the Billing Units for verification with the readings furnished by the field staff.

Performance of Delhi T.V.

1680. SHRI RAJDEO SINGH: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether many Television viewers in Delhi have lost interest in viewing the Delhi Television, for its low standard of performance; and

(b) if so, the steps Government propose to take to improve the standard of programmes?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI DHARAM BIR SINHA): (a) No, Sir. The findings of the Audience Research surveys and letters from viewers indicate that a majority of the programmes are quite popular with the audience.

(b) The programmes are constantly reviewed by Doordarshan to effect improvements in the light of suggestions received from various sources.

Loss incurred by H.E.C.

1681. SHRI JAGANNATH MISHRA: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY AND CIVIL SUPPLIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Heavy Engineering Corporation is incurring loss for want of orders; and

(b) if so, the remedial measures proposed?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (SHRI A. C. GEORGE): (a) and (b). The H.E.C. had been incurring losses up to the year 1974-75. It is expected to break-even in 1975-76.

2. The losses incurred have not been due to paucity of orders, but primarily due to a slow build-up of production. To accelerate the tempo of production, various measures have been taken which include the following:

(i) effective production planning and control

(ii) effective maintenance/preventive maintenance of equipment; and

(iii) re-organisation and streamlining of the top managerial structure.

Thein Dam Project

1682. SHRI RAGHUNANDAN LAL BHATIA: Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether any final agreement has been reached between Punjab and Kashmir with regard to proposed Thein Dam recently, and

(b) whether the project has been cleared by the Central Government?

THE MINISTER OF ENERGY (SHRI K. C. PANT): (a) The Government of Punjab have reported that