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been done about the production, about the mother, but nothing is being done about the daughter. So, my question is, whether the proposed Corporation will take into consideration the needs of these two downstream units so that the complex grows in proper proportions and in a healthy way.

SHRID. R. CHAVAN : The hon. Member should not have brought in the question of the mother and the daughter. If he had understood what I stated just now, it is clear that the care for both the mother and the daughter has been taken. Had the care been taken of the mother only and not of the daughter, it would not have been a good family. Therefore, it consists of two projects, aromatics project and naphtha cracker project. These produce basic raw materials. In respect of the basic raw material that is likely to be produced by aromatics project, as I stated already, the approvals have been granted. About the naphtha project, the matter is under consideration and the decision will be taken soon.

श्रीमती जयावेन शाह : यहां पर जो सिमिली कही गई माता ग्रौर डाटर की, उसको मैं ग्रागे बढ़ाऊं कि डाटर के लिए तो पहले किया ग्रौर माता के लिए करना बाकी है। नेफथा क्रेकर की स्कीम माता के बराबर है, डाउन स्ट्रीम इन्डस्ट्री उसमें से पैदा होती है। नेफथा क्रैकर जो बना. फिर उसमें वाई-प्रोडक्ट होता है, तो पहले माता के लिए करना चाहिए, डाटर के लिए तो फिर होगा ही ?

SHRI D. R. CHAVAN : I just now answered that. The decision would soon be taken.

श्री कंवर लाल गुफ्त : ग्रध्यक्ष महोदय, नेफथा क्रैकर्स के सम्बन्ध में तीन चार साल से बातचीत हो रही है ग्रीर एक डेढ़ साल से काफी एक्टिवली गवनंमेंट में बातचीत चल रही है लेकिन फिर भी देर हो रही है ग्रीर सरकार की जो रेप्यूटेशन है, इमेज है, वह इनडिसीजन, डिले ग्रीर रेडटेपिज्म की वजह से काफी खराव होती जा रही हैं -- इसी मामले में नहीं बल्कि हर मामले में ऐसा हो रहा है। मैं जानना चाहता हूँ कि इन सब चीजों में डिलेन हो उसके लिए ग्राप कोई टाइम-लिमिट तय करते हैं गौर जहां डिले होती है उसको रोकने के लिए क्या कार्यवाही करते हैं ताकि जो इमेज है वह खराब न हो गौर देश को भी नुक्शान न हो ?

SHRID. R. CHAVAN: There is no question of image getting spoiled or something like that. When we have to plan, we have to plan properly because it is going to be a big complex involving a capital outlay of Rs. 37 crores. It is no use pushing the matter in a hurry. As I said, about the naphtha cracker project, discussions are under way and very soon, in about a year's time, in 1969-70, a decision will be taken.

Geological Survey of Gujarat

*362. SHRI NARENDRA SINGH MAHIDA: Will the Minister of PETRO-LEUM AND CHEMICALS AND MINES AND METALS be pleased to state :

(a) whether a comprehensive Geological Survey to assess the quantum of the underground water in Gujarat has been undertaken; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND AND CHEMICALS AND MINES METALS (SHRI JAGANATH RAO) : (a) and (b). Several short term water supply investigations in selected areas of Gujarat have been carried out. Following these investigations ; detailed geohydrological reconnaissance studies and exploratory drilling were carried out in areas having possibility of groundwater development. As a result of this exploration, the sandstones in Saurashtra and Kutch areas were proved to be good storage rocks of potable groundwater.

The entire area is gradually being covered under systematic geohydrological studies.

SHRI NARENDRA SINGH MAHIDA: In Gujarat, geological surveys are being carried on for various mineral projects. While carrying on these mineral projects, will they, the Geological Department of the Central Government as well as the Gujarat Government, also at the same time tap the underwater resources? Has the Government instructed the Geological Department of the Central Government and the Gujarat Government to carry on this also ?

SHRI JAGANATH RAO: The Gujarat Government is carrying on exploratory operations and the Geological Survey of India, Government of India, is giving them technical assistance.

SHRI NARENDRA SINGH MAHIDA: There is a valley called Pawagarh in Baroda district. The rivers, Narmada, Mahi and Sabar, have also underground flowing waters. Will the Government tap those also?

SHRI JAGANATH RAO : They are taken up in 1968-69.

SHRI M. B. RANA : The question is 'comprehensive geological survey'. I would like to know whether anything else besides water is surveyed.

SHRI JAGANATH RAO: In Gujarat the total area explored in the Kutch area is about 13,000 sq. kilometres and the Jurassic sand-stones in the area proved to be productive. In the other parts of Gujarat, about 5,000 sq kilometres were explored and of this, only 400 sq. kilometres around Kodh proved to be productive.

SHRIS. KANDAPPAN : The other day when there was a question about research that was done in the physiological department of the Education Ministry, the hon. Minister, Dr. V. K. R. V. Rao, gave us a pointed reply that he would take up with the Geological survey of India and find out the latest position with regard to their findings abont seismic and electronic meter for tracing underground water resources of our country. I would like to know whether, when they heip the State Governments to find out underground water, they would help them with the latest findings that are there in our country.

SHRI JAGANATH RAO: All the latest discoveries will certainly be taken care of and will be utilised in exploring underground water all over the country.

Hindustan Zinc Ltd.

*363. SHRI PREM CHAND VERMA: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS AND MINES AND METALS be pleased to state :

(a) whether any foreign collaboration was involved in the setting up of the Hindustan Zinc Ltd.. if so, the names of the countries and the terms of the collaboration;

(b) the amount of foreign exchange involved ;

(c) the items which the Company is producing at present;

(d) the quantity of production, sale and export by the Company during the last three years; and

(e) the difficulties experienced in the working of the company and the steps taken by Government to remove them ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS AND MINES AND METALS (SHRI JAGANATH RAO) : (a) to (e). A statement is laid on the Table of the House. [Placed in Library. See No. LT-263/69].

श्री प्रेम चन्द वर्मा : श्रीमन्, मुफ्ते खुशी है कि आनरेबिल मंत्री महोदय ने बहुत से फैक्ट्स को सदन के सामने रखा है। मगर उन्हों ने यह नहीं बताया कि इलेक्ट्रिसिटी बोर्ड जो रेट चार्ज कर रहा है राजस्थान का, वह क्या रेट ले रहा है, मौर दूसरे प्रान्तों के मुकाबले में जो फैक्ट्री से रेट चार्ज करते हैं उस के मुकाबले में जो फैक्ट्री से रेट चार्ज करते हैं उस के मुकाबले में यह कितने ज्यादा हैं? मंत्री महोदय ने घांकड़ों में बताया है कि प्रोडक्शन कितनी है घौर सेल कितनी है। मैं जानना चाहता हूं कि कारसाने की प्रोडक्शन कैपेसिटी कितनी है इन ग्राइटम्स की जो स्टेटमेंट में दी हुई हैं। मौर साथ ही 1968-69 के इन्हीं ग्राइटम्स के प्रोडक्शन टागेंट्स कितने थे मौर वह पूरे होने की कहां तक ग्राशा है ?

SHRI JAGANATH RAO : About the electricity rates, the Rajasthan Government have been charging at 10 paise per k. w. which is very high. A meeting was