(d) if so, details thereof and reaction of the Government thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI BABU LAL MARANDI): (a) The State Government of Kerala has brought various issues, relating to the implementation of the provisions of the Coastal Regulation Zone Notification, 1991, to the notice of the Central Government.

- (b) No, Sir.
- (c) and (d) The Central Government has set up the follwing Committees:
 - Prof. N. Balakrishnan Nair Committee for issues pertaining to Kerala.
 - Fr. Saldanha Committee for issues pertaining to Andaman & Nicobar Islands.
 - Fr. C.J. Saldanha Committee to examine specific issues relating to Coastal Regulation Zone Notification for the entire country.

The reports submitted by these Committees have been examined and the recommendations made are under consideration.

Reductions in Power Generation

3474. SHRI PROMOTHES MUKHERJEE: SHRI INDRAJIT GUPTA:

Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state :

- (a) whether attention of the Government has been drawn to the new-item "NTPC to resist attempt to surrender Central Quota" appering in Telegraph, Calcutta, dated November 16, 1998:
- (b) whether in order to damage other Central Government power generating units, National Thermal Power Corporation is adopting illegal ways and means to reduce power generation; and
 - (c) if so, the facts in this regard and details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF POWER (SHRI P.R. KUMARA-MANGALAM): (a) The capacity of the regional power stations of National Thermal Power Corporation (NTPC) has been established keeping in view the requirements of the States in the region in which substantial investments have been made by the Central Government. The beneficiary states have also entered into Power Purchase Agreement with NTPC to get their share of power from these stations. In the Eastern Region, NTPC has set up/is operating a capacity of 3900 MW through Farakka Super Thermal Power Project (1600 MW). Kahalgaon Super Thermal Power Project Stage I (840 MW) and Talcher

Super Thermal Power Project Stage I (1000 MW) besides Talcher Thermal Power Project (460 MW) taken over from the erstwhile Orissa State Electricity Board. These power stations of NTPC are being grossly under utilised with a capacity utilisation of only 40% to 50% due to lack of demand.

Under the proposed availability based tariff structure, State Electricity Boards would be required to pay fixed charges of NTPC stations in proportion to allocated shares. Accordingly, SEBs will continue to pay their share of fixed charges regardless of the level of utilisation of their capacity shares.

- (b) No, Sir.
- (c) Does not arise in view of (b) above.

Yashpal Committee

3475. SHRI PRABHUNATH SINGH: SHRI SUSHIL KUMAR SINGH:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

- (a) the main recommendations of Yashpal Committee;
- (b) whether the said recommendations are being implemented in all the States;
 - (c) if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (d) the name of implementing and non-implementing States?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOP-MENT AND MINISTER OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI): (a) The main recommendations of Yashpal Committee Report are given in the statement enclosed.

- (b) to (d) In the 50th meeting of the Central Advisory Board of Education (CABE) held on 2.3.94, State Governments have expressed their broad agreement with the recommendations of the Yashpal Committee. The consensus of such views was identified and the course of action to be adopted by the State Governments suggested to them. The implementation of these recommendations has been partially initiated by most State and Central agencies. The recommendations of the Committee are of two categories:
 - (i) Those requiring one time action; and
 - (ii) Recommendations requiring long-term intervention.

The Government has issued two sets of action points; one for States/UTs and the other for Central Agencies to facilitate implementation.

Implementation of the recommendation by the State Governments is a part of their on-going programme of Development of school education.