

- (iv) To help augment the oil/gas production by way of quickly putting these fields on production.
- (v) For the application of enhanced oil recovery processes.
- (vi) To induct the latest managerial and technological practices.

#### Ramagundam Power Project

\*92. SHRI R. SAMBASIVA RAO : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Government have sanctioned a Thermal Power Project to be set up at Ramagundam in Andhra Pradesh;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES (DR. S. VENUGOPALACHARI) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) Proposals of both NTPC and a private developer to set up additional generation facilities of about 500 MW each at Ramagundam had been received for accord of techno-economic clearance by CEA. These were returned to them to obtain other requisite clearances such as Coal Linkage, Water availability and Environmental permissions. The final sanctions for these proposals could be considered by respective Governments after CEA's techno-economic clearance is obtained by the promoters.

[Translation]

#### Indian Food Trade and Development Organisation

\*93. SHRIMATI BHAVNABEN DEVRAJ BHAI CHIKHALIA :

SHRI RAVINDRA KUMAR PANDEY :

Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES be pleased to state :

(a) whether Indian Food Trade and Development Organisation has been doing any research in the development of Fruit Processing Industries;

(b) if so, the outcome thereof and the reaction of the Union Government thereto; and

(c) the time by which the Union Government is likely to take a final decision in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRI DILIP KUMAR RAY) : (a) The Ministry is not aware of any such body as Indian Food Trade and Development Organisation doing research in the fruit processing sector.

(b) and (c). Does not arise.

#### Petrol/Diesel Retail Outlets

\*94. SHRI BACHI SINGH RAWAT 'BACHDA' : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether there are no proper facility for petrol and diesel retail outlets in hilly districts of Uttar Pradesh;

(b) whether petrol pumps are located only in some selected towns whereas hilly people live in remote areas;

(c) whether there is any proposal under consideration to open petrol pumps in these remote areas; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI T.R. BAALU) : (a) to (d). Oil Industry has a vast network of 164 retail outlets covering urban as well as remote areas of nine hill districts of Uttar Pradesh. District wise details are indicated below :

	District	Total
1.	Nainital	58
2.	Udhamsingh Nagar	25
3.	Pithoragarh	5
4.	Almorah	7
5.	Dehradun	41
6.	Uttarkashi	3
7.	Tehri Garhwal	6
8.	Chamoli	7
9.	Pauri Garhwal	12
		164

In addition to the above, 17 more retail outlets are proposed in the hilly districts of Uttar Pradesh.

[English]

#### ONGC Investment

\*95. DR. T. SUBBARAMI REDDY : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether ONGC propose to invest 25,000 crores in 9th five year plan;

(b) if so, the main projects on which this amount is likely to be spent;

(c) whether all the projects that were launched in Eighth Five Year Plan, have been completed; and

(d) to what extent this investment during Ninth Plan by ONGC will be able to enhance oil production in the country?