THE MINISTER OF RURAL AREAS AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI KINJARAPPU YERRANNAIDU) : (a) and (b) No, Sir. The financial and physical progress for the above mentioned years in given below:—

Year	Target of group formation	No. of groups actually formed	
1	2	3	4
1 994-9 5	247	315	62.02
1995-96	1033	1092	263.79
1996-97	1033	1033	266.68
1997-98 (upto June, 19	1033 997)	53	2.26

Indo-Japan Global Energy Reserves

3713. SHRI R. SAMBASIVA RAO : SHRI MANIKRAO HODLYA GAVIT : SHRIMATI LAKSHMI PANABAKA :

Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether India and Japan can work together as partners for ensuring reliable access to global energy reserves;

(b) if so, whether India and Japan have already done ground work towards maritime cooperation;

(c) if so, whether any agreement between India and Japan has been reached to tie-up and ensure energy security; and

(d) if so, the details of the agreement signed?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRI YOGINDER K. ALAGH): (a) to (d) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

[Translation]

Surplus Persons in NHPC

3714. PROF. PREM SINGH CHANDUMAJRA : JUSTICE GUMAN MAL LODHA :

Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Government have estimated about 5000 persons as surplus in the National Hydro-electric Power Corporation;

(b) if so, the details thereof Category-wise; and

(c) the total amount of annual burden on the Corporation as a result thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRI YOGINDER K. ALAGH) : (a) Yes, Sir. The National Hydro-electric Power Corporation (NHPC) has about 5000 staff identified as surplus.

(b) The category-wise details of surplus manpower are as under :

Executives	-	Nil
Supervisors	-	466
Workmen	-	4530
Total		4996

(c) At present the direct cost (Basic pay + DA) of carrying the surplus manpower works out to approximately Rs. 33.50 crores per annum.

Increasing Demand of Power

3715. SHRI NAWAL KISHORE RAI : JUSTICE GUMAN MAL LODHA :

Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Government have assessed the quantum of power utilised in agriculture sector, industrial sector, commercial sector, domestic consumption sector and Government institutions in the country during the Eighth Five Year Plan; and

(b) if so, the percentage each of these sectors in the annual consumption and the assessment made regarding the demand of these sectors?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRI YOGINDER K. ALAGH): (a) and (b) Details of year-wise quantum of power utilised by various categories of consumers and percentage to total consumption during 1992-93, 1993-94, 1994-95 and 1995-96 are as follows:

(In Billion Units)

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Sector	1992-93	1993-94	1994-95	1995-96		
	%age	%age	%age	%age		
		(Provisional)				
1	2	3	4	5		
Agriculture	63.33	70.70	79.3 0	85.74		
	28.70	29.64	30.54	30.80		
Industrial	9 0.17	94.50	100.1 3	105. 29		
	40.86	39.61	38.56	37.83		
Commercial	12.70	14.14	15.97	16.99		
	5.73	5.93	5.15	6.11		