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Public Sector Undertakings

1481. SHRI RANJIB BISWAL : Will the Minister of STEEL AND MINES be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of public sector undertakings under his Ministry;
- (b) the total requirement of power of those PSU's for their plants during last three years;
- (c) the separate break-up thereof;
- (d) whether these PSU's have their captive power plants;
- (e) if so, the capacity of those power plants; and
- (f) the separate break-up thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF STEEL AND MINES (SHRI RAMESH BAIS) : (a) The total number of public sector undertakings under the Ministry of Steel and Mines is as under :

Department of Steel : 10 (excluding FSNL, which is a subsidiary of MSTC)

Department of Mines : 6

(b) to (f) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Lok Sabha.

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1482. SHRIMATI JAYANTI PATNAIK : Will the Minister of STEEL AND MINES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the National Aluminium Company has been working on its expansion programme;
- (b) if so, the details of the expansion plan formulated by NALCO and likely to be implemented during the Ninth Five Year Plan; and
- (c) the financial provisions made for the expansion?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF STEEL AND MINES (SHRI RAMESH BAIS) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) At present, NALCO is implementing two expansion projects. The expansion of capacity of Bauxite mine and

Alumina refinery at a cost of Rs. 1664.60 crores (June, 1996 price level) is to be implemented in 51 months from the date of Government approval i.e. 18.12.1996. The expansion of capacity of Aluminium smelter and captive power plant at a cost of Rs. 2062 crores (June, 1997 price level) is to be implemented in 51 months from the date of Government approval i.e. 3.2.1998. Currently, both the projects are progressing as per schedule. As per schedule the expansion of Bauxite mine and Alumina refinery will be completed within the 9th Plan period and the Aluminium smelter and captive power plant expansion project will marginally spill over beyond the 9th Plan by two months.

(c) The Company has planned to meet 60%—70% of total provisions from internal resources and the balance from external resources.

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Over-sized and Stone Mixed Coal

1483. SHRI D.S. AHIRE :
SHRI MADHAVRAO PATIL :

Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Maharashtra State Electricity Board is not generating power as per their capacity due to supply of over-sized and stone mixed coal by Coal India Limited;
- (b) if so, the details and facts thereof;
- (c) whether any inquiry has since been conducted in this regard; and
- (d) if so, the details and outcome thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COAL (SHRI DILIP RAY) : (a) and (b) No, Sir. There has been substantial improvement in the quantitative and qualitative supply of coal to thermal power stations as a result of which the electricity generated by the power houses of MSEB has gone up. As per the CEA information the power generated by power houses of MSEB during April, 1998 to January, 1999 has been of the order of 28,906 million units which is 108% of 26,754 million units generated during the corresponding period last year.

(c) and (d) Do not arise in view of reply given to parts (a) and (b) above.