

(b) Village electrification is one of the inputs benefitting the agricultural sector. It is, therefore, not feasible to quantify the benefits reaped by small and marginal farmers on account of village electrification alone.

[English]

Opening of New Airport In Orissa

1936. SHRI RAVI NARAYAN PANI:
Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to open any new Airport in Orissa in the near future;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STEEL AND MINES
AND MINISTER OF LAW AND JUSTICE
(SHRI DINESH GOSWAMI): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) Existing four airports in the State are sufficient to cater to the present needs.

Supply of Coal by Mines of West Bengal and Bihar

1937. SHRI MANIKRAO HODLYA
GAVIT:
SHRI R. N. RAKESH:

Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether shortage of power in West Bengal and Bihar Mines has hit the supply of coal as well as production of coal;

(b) if so, the details and reasons therefor; and

(c) the estimated supply of coal by mines in these States between January, 1990 to July, 1990 month-wise and mine-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STEEL AND MINES
AND MINISTER OF LAW AND JUSTICE
(SHRI DINESH GOSWAMI): (a) and (b). Yes, Sir, power shortage has affected production of coal in Eastern Coalfields Ltd., Bharat Coking Coal Ltd. and Central Coalfields Ltd. located in States of Bihar and West Bengal. During the period April to July, 1990, approximate loss of production on account of inadequate power supply in these companies has been as under:-