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| Plan | Power Generation at the end of Plan Period (Utilities) (GWH) | Percentage increase over the preceding plan |
|--------------------------|---|---|
| 1 | 2 | 3 |
| Ist Plan (1951-56) | 8592 | 68.2 |
| 2nd Plan (1956-61) | 16937 | 97.1 |
| 3rd Plan (1961-66) | 32990 | 94.8 |
| 3 Annual Plans (1967-69) | 47434 | 43.8 |
| 4th Plan (1969-74) | 66689 | 40.6 |
| 5th Plan (1974-79) | 102523 | 53.7 |
| Annual Plan (1979-80) | 104627 | 2.1 |
| 6th Plan (1980-85) | 156859 | 49.9 |
| 7th Plan (1985-90) | 244971 | 56.2 |

The percentage of power generation at the end of Sixth Five Year Plan (1980-85) as compared to the Fifth Five Year Plan (1974-79) had decreased due to slippages in the capacity additions, unsatisfactory, performance of thermal stations, inadequacy of funds etc. However, the power shortage had decreased from 16.1 percent in 1979-80 to 6.1. percent in 1984-85.

(b) It is tentatively envisaged to add generating capacity of about 38,000 MW in the country during the Eight Plan Renovation & Modernisation of some of the existing power stations, reduction in transmission and distribution losses, efficient load management and energy conservation are some of the other measures which would improve the availability of power.

[English]

Award of Compensation by M.R.T.P.C.

8656. SHRI JANAKRAJ GUPTA: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Monopolies and Restrictive Trade Practices Commission has awarded any compensation to consumers after the amendment made in MRTP Act; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI AJIT SINGH): (a) and (b). Yes, Sir. From 1.1.85 to 31.3.90, the Monopolies and Restrictive Trade Practices Commission has disposed of about 5000 compensation applications. These include a number of compensation applications in which the Commission has awarded compensation to the party concerned or has otherwise disposed them off. The number of cases being very large, the time and effort involved in the compilation of details regarding quantum of compensation awarded by the Commission in each and every case, will not be commensurate with the purpose sought to be achieved.

[Translation]

Accidents Due to LPG Cylinder Blasts in U.P.

8657. SHRI SHEO SHARAN VARMA: Will. the Minister of PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS be pleased to state:

- (a) the total number of LPG consumers in Uttar Pradesh:
- (b) the number of accidents occurred in Uttar Pradesh due to bursting of LPG cylinders during 1989; and
- (c) the steps being taken by Government to check these accidents?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND CHEMIICALS (SHRI M.S. GURU-PADASWAMY): (a) As on February 1,1990 there were approximately 17.16 lakh LPG consumers in U.P.

(b) During 1989, only one accident due

to bursting of LPG cylinder was reported from U.P.

(c) Information on the safe use of LPG cylinders is disseminated to the consumers through the media, consumers guidance seminar, safety clinics, hoardings and pamphlets. Training programmes of LPG distributors and deliverymen are also carried out regularly by the oil companies. Strict quality control measures are also enforced on the cylinder manufacturer, to ensure quality.

[English]

Railway Projects in Punjab

8658. BABA SUCHA SINGH: SHRI KAMAL CHOUDHRY:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of ongoing railway projects being implemented in Punjab alongwith the target dates, extent of work down and the cost of the projects in each case:'
- (b) the steps taken to complete the said projects; and
- (c) the details of proposals received for inclusion of more railway projects in Punjab?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES): (a) Construction on the following new line railway project is in progress: