

due to the delay in coal supply, the power supply, stations of West Bengal under West Bengal State Electricity Board are facing serious difficulties;

(b) if so, the action taken by Government to provide relief; and

(c) the actual requirement of coal for West Bengal State Electricity Board run units in West Bengal during 1983-84 and 1984-85 and how much was supplied ?

THE MINISTER OF STEEL, MINES AND COAL (SHRI VASANT SATHE) :

(a) to (c). There were two major power stations, *viz.*, Bandel and Santaldih with the West Bengal State Electricity Board during 1983-84. The third power station at Kolaghat came into operation during 1984-85. The linkages provided by the Standing Linkage Committee, the suppliss, and the actual consumption of coal by these power stations during 1983-84 and 1984-85 are given below :

(in lakh tonnes)

Year	Linkage	Supply	Consumption
1983-84	23.64	17.98	16.99
1984-85	33.00	20.52 (Prov.)	18.58

The linkages have not materialised in full due to the following reasons :—

- (i) The actual requirement being less than the linkages;
- (ii) Inadequate facilities at the power stations for handling of coal wagons which resulted in inadequate release of wagons;
- (iii) Inadequate supplies of wagons by the Railways;
- (iv) Restrictions imposed by the West Bengal State Electricity Board on coal despatches, due to inadequate availability of funds with West Bengal State Electricity Board; and
- (v) Delay in the commissioning of the crushers at Kolaghat power station due to which the power station could consume, till now, only washery middlings, the availability of which is limited.

In the recent past there has been no complaint about the quality of coal supplied to the power stations of W.B.S.E.E. As regards quantity, with the commissioning of the crushers of Kolaghat TPS, linkage of middlings will be restored to Santaldih TPS. Besides, Eastern Coalfields Ltd. have started offering coal in rakes of 70 boyes to Santandih TPS, to increase the supplies to this power station. Supplies will be made to meet the full requirements of the power stations of West Bengal State Electricity Board, provided the power stations release the wagons promptly, and do not impose any restrictions on account of financial constraints.

Import of Tractors from Soviet Union

*707. SHRI MUKUL WASNIK : Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have decided to import tractors from Soviet Union;

(b) if so, details thereof; and

(c) whether such import would not affect the indigenous production-sale of tractors adversely?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI P. A. SANGMA) : (a) No Sir.

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

Credit Renewal to Mauritius

*708. SHRI SOMNATH RATH : Will the Minister of FINANCE be please to state :

(a) whether Government have a proposal to renew its line of credit to Mauritius in the current financial year;

(a) if so, the amount of credit proposed to be sanctioned to Mauritius during the current financial year; and

(c) the purpose for which the credit is going to be granted to Mauritius and in what form ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI JANARDHANA POOJARY) : (a) to (c). During the visit of the Prime Minister of Mauritius to India in April, 1985, it has been agreed in principle that the

following lines of credit for a total value of Rs. 10 crores would be extended to the Government of Mauritius : (i) Rs. 5 crores on a Government-to-Government basis and (ii) Rs. 5 crores extended by the Export-Import Bank of India.

The Government of Mauritius is to submit the list of goods it desires to be covered under the above credits. Details of the terms and conditions of the credit as also the items to be covered would be decided after receipt of the same.

World Bank Aids in Tamil Nadu

5061. DR. P. VALLAL PERUMAN : Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state :

(a) the total amount of aid by World Bank to private and public sector schemes in Tamil Nadu-year-wise from 1980 to 1986; and

(b) the projects involved in these aid and schemes ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI JANARDHANA POOJARY) : (a) and (b). The World Bank does not ordinarily give any loans to private sector schemes. Bank assistance has been extended for rural electrification schemes implemented through the Rural Electrification Corporation, a public sector undertaking and also for other State projects. A statement of such projects is enclosed.

Statement

(Amount in US dollar million)

Sl. No.	Name of the project	Date of agreement	Amount of assistance	
			IBRD	IDA
1.	Tamil Nadu Nutrition	12-5-1980	—	32.00
2.	Second Madras Urban Development	14-1-1981	—	42.00
3.	Tamil Nadu Agricultural Extension	7-5-1981	—	28.00
4.	Tamil Nadu Newsprint	23-9-1981	100.00	—
5.	Rural Electrification-III	22-6-1982	10.95	—
6.	Periyar Vaigai Irrigation-II	12-10-1984	—	35.00
7.	Tamil Nadu Water Supply and Sanitation Project	14-11-1984	—	73.00

Additional Machinery for Heat Setting Plant at Machilipatnam in Krishna District, Andhra Pradesh

5062. SHRI V. SOBHANADREESWARA RAO : Will the Minister of SUPPLY AND TEXTILES be pleased to state :

(a) whether a representation has been received from the Government of Andhra Pradesh for installation of additional machinery at the Heat Setting Plant at Machilipatnam, Krishna District as "Special Rehabilitation Project" meant for providing relief of weavers to make the unit a viable one; and

(b) if so, the action taken in this regard ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE

MINISTRY OF SUPPLY AND TEXTILES (SHRI CHANDRA SHEKHAR SINGH) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) A Senior Officer from the Office of the development Commissioner from Handlooms was deputed for spot study and discussions with the State Officials to assess the actual requirements of the funds. The Officer reported that the water in the area is brackish and is totally unfit for use in the Plant. He further pointed out that the State Government had already taken a decision at the State level to provide good water to the plant from a neighbouring irrigation canal. The Central Government agreed, in principle, to release Rs. 17.00 lakhs during 8-4-85 for purchase of addi-