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waiting list in the ratio of 2:1 out of 10% reservation for Type I and Type II Quarters and 5% for Type III and Type IV Quarters.

[English]

Profit earned by Maruti Udyog Ltd.

*904. SHRI RADHAKANTA DIGAL: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Maruti Udyog Limited has been earning profit since 1983-84; and

(b) if so, profit earned by Marut: Udyog Limited during the last three years, yearwise?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI J. VENGAL RAO). (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Profit earned by Maruti Udyog Ltd. during each of the last three financial years is as under:—

| Year | | Profit (Rs. in crore) |
|---------|---|-----------------------|
| 1984-85 | | 0.90 |
| 1985-86 | _ | 3.00 |
| 1986-87 | | 7.05 (Provisional) |
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Supply of Wheat and Rice to Tea Garden Workers

*905. SHRI MANIK SANYAL: Will the Minister of FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have received any representation regarding quality of rice and wheat being supplied by the Food Corporation of India for consumption by tea garden workers; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and the action taken in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FOOD AND CIVIL SUPP-LIES (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD): (a) and (b). A representation was made to the Government regarding the poor quality of foodgrains supplied to the tea garden workers. The matter was investigated and it was found that the foodgrains supplied conformed to the limits prescribed in the Prevention of Food Adulteration Rules.

[Translation]

Target of Production of Sugar in Seventh Plan

*908. SHRI VILAS MUTTEMWAR: Will the Minister of FOOD AND CIVIL SUPP-LIES be pleased to state:

(a) the target fixed for production of sugar during the Seventh Plan;

(b) whether this target will be achieved. under the new sugar policy; and

(c) if not, the steps being taken by Government to achieve this target?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FOOD AND CIVIL SUPP-LIES (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD). (a) In the Seventh Plan document a production target of 102 lakh tonnes of sugar for 1989-90 is envisaged.

(b) and (c). Various measures envisaged in the New Sugar Policy would help in the development of sugarcane cultivation as well as increase sugar production. These measures should enable the achievement of the sugar production target.

[English]

Commemorative Stamp on Rural Poor

*909. SHRI PARASRAM BHARDWAJ: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government brought out a commemorative stamp on rural poor for

dedicating his life for the cause of the country including eradication of communalism and untouchability; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF COMMUNICA-TIONS (SHRI ARJUN SINGH): (a) and (b). While no commemorative stamp on rural poor as such has been issued, the Department of Posts, has however, since independence, commemorated a number of illustratious personalities, who dedicated their entire lives for the upliftment of the rural poor, including eradication of communalism and untouchability, like Mahatma Gandhi, Jawaharlal Nehru, Indira Gandhi, Acharya Vinoba Bhave, Dr. B.R. Ambedkar, E.V. Ramasami, Jayaprakash Narayan, Kamraj, etc. Several themes, which are relevant to the upliftment of the rural poor have also been depicted on Indian postage stamps, like Charkha, Panchayati Raj, Centenary of the Postcard, etc. The theme of the 6th Definitive Series of Indian Postage Stamps was' Agriculture and Rural Development.

International Symposium on Automation and Instrumentation for Power Plants

*912. SHRI K. RAMAMURTHY: Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) the recommendations made by the International Symposium on Automation and Instrumentation for Power Plants held in Bangalore on 15 December, 1986; and

(b) the action proposed to be taken thereon?

THE MINISTER OF ENERGY AND MIN-ISTER OF STEEL AND MINES (SHRI VASANT SATHE): (a) The main recommendations made at the Symposium relate to introduction of computer based techniques in power stations, the need for strengthening transmission systems and reducing T & D losses, strengthening of load despatch facilities, introduction of modern load management techniques, inter-connected grid operations, improving training facilities, and closer interaction between R&D institutions and State Electricity Boards, etc.

(b) Improvements in the automation and instrumentation of power plants is a continuing process and the recommendations of the Symposium in this regard have been noted.

[Translation]

Utilisation of Power Generation Capacity in Bihar

*915. SHRI KUNWAR RAM: Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) the extent to which power generation capacity of various power plants in Bihar has been utilised during 1986-87;

(b) whether this was less or more than the national average;

(c) the steps being taken for maximum utilisation of their capacity;

(d) whether Bihar State Electricity Board will be able to mobilise adequate resources to increase power generation in Bihar; and

(e) the losses suffered by the Bihar State Electricity Board in 1986-87?

THE MINISTER OF ENERGY AND MIN-ISTER OF STEEL AND MINES (SHRI VASANT SATHE): (a) and (b). During 1986-87 the Plant Load Factor of thermal stations in Bihar was 33.3% as compared with the all-India average 53.2%. The capacity utilisation of hydro stations mainly depends on their reservoir levels.

(c) and (d). The measures taken for maximum utilisation of existing thermal capacity include implementation of a renovation and modernisation programme, early stabilisation of newly commissioned units, training of power station personnel, improved supply of coal, spare parts and implementation of modern techniques of