

Under the liberalised scheme the maximum amount of assistance per unit available to sick small scale units for rehabilitation has been increased from Rs. 20,000 to Rs. 50,000.

Proposal to Privatisise Public Sector Units

*99. SHRI SUBHASH YADAV:
SHRI RAM DHAN:

Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal under consideration of Government to privatise some public sector units;

(b) if so, the details thereof including the reasons; and

(c) whether these units are loss incurring and if so, the amount of loss incurred by each during the last two years?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI J. VENGAL RAO):(a) to (c). No policy decision has been taken by the Government to privatise public sector units.

Setting up of Solar Power Plants

*100. SHRIMATI PRABHAWATI GUPTA: Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal to set up solar power plants in the country;

(b) the names of places and the States;

(c) whether there is any proposal to set up such a plant in the State of Bihar; and

(d) if so, the name of place and the period by which it will be set up?

THE MINISTER OF ENERGY (SHRI VASANT SATHE) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) to (d). A few experimental solar photovoltaic power plants in the range of 1-5 kw have been installed at the following locations:

1. Salojipally, Medak district, Andhra Pradesh.
2. Engineering Staff College of India, Hyderabad, Andhra Pradesh.
3. Tudou, Sanguem Taluka, Goa.
4. Kalyanpura, Kheda District, Gujarat.
5. Belkineeadugu, Bangalore district, Karnataka
6. Bitra Island, Lakshadweep.
7. Kinathur, South Arcot district, Tamil Nadu
8. Naranampattu, South Arcot district, Tamil Nadu.
9. Pachery, South Arcot district, Tamil Nadu
10. Periyapalepoondy, South Arcot district, Tamil Nadu.
11. Athipaddy, South Arcot district, Tamil Nadu
12. Mekinikadu, Salem district, Tamil Nadu
13. Kipady-pelapady, Salem district, Tamil Nadu
14. Kuki Colony, Tripura.