

## WRITTEN ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS

### Pollution caused by Bailadila Iron Ore Project

\*331. SHRI DAULAT RAM SARAN: Will the Minister of STEEL AND MINES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of the serious environmental pollution hazards over vast areas caused by the huge quantity of iron ore washout from Bailadila Iron Ore Project of the National Mineral Development Corporation; and

(b) if so, steps taken by Government to contain the pollution hazards and the progress made in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY AND STEEL AND MINES (SHRI NARAYAN DATT TIWARI): (a) Yes Sir.

(b) A full fledged treatment plant has been established in one of the two mines and a clarifier to settle the particles in the other mine. Efforts are being made to acquire and for setting up effective pollution abatement device for this mine also.

### Colour T. V. Sets

\*334. SHRI NAVIN RAVANI:

SHRI CHINTAMANI JENA:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the first consignment of T.V. kits has been received from South Korea;

(b) if so, the number of kits received and at what rate;

(c) how they have been distributed amongst manufacturers;

(d) whether the colour TV sets assembled in India with foreign kits have come to the market; and

(e) the rate fixed by the manufacturers?

THE PRIME MINISTER (SHRI-MATI INDIRA GANDHI): (a) and (b). As on October 31st 1982, around 33,500 chassis and around 45,000 colour TV picture tubes have been received from South Korean firms. The remaining 11,500 chassis are expected in the next ten days.

(c) These are being distributed to assemblers on a pro-rata basis according to their orders and the allocations made by Government as per the ad-hoc, policy for ASIAD' 82.

(d) Yes, Sir.

(e) The Government has fixed the sale price of CTV sets to customers in Delhi, including all taxes as applicable in Delhi, as follows:—

(i) CTV with turret tuner :  
Rs. 7,500/-

(ii) CTV with electronic tuner :  
Rs. 8,000/-

In other cities, the prices may vary, depending on the local tax structure.

### Government's cement release orders not honoured.

\*338. SHRI NARAYAN CHOUBEY: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the complaints that the cement release orders of Government departments are not being honoured by Cement companies (Times of India of 6 October, 1982); and

(b) if so, the details of the complaints and what action has been taken by Government against such erring companies?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY AND STEEL AND MINES (SHRI NARAYAN DATT TIWARI): (a)

and (b). The "complaint" published in the Times of India of 6th of October, 1982 relates to non-receipt of cement to the extent of about 11,000 metric tonnes by the Delhi Water Supply and Sewage Disposal Undertaking during the last four quarters.

The position in this regard was reviewed and Cement factories have been directed by the Cement Controller to make arrangements for despatch of 6,000 tonnes of cement immediately. It has been reported that 3,100 tonnes of cement have since been received by the Undertaking and the remaining is expected to be received shortly.

#### Supply of Machines on Hire Purchase basis by N. S. I. C.

\*341. SHRI B. V. DESAI: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the National Small Industries Corporation plans to supply machines worth Rs.12 crores on hire-purchase basis to entrepreneurs from weaker sections of the society during the current financial year;

(b) if so, whether the NSIC has delegated some of its functions to the Branch Offices which became operational on Gandhi Jayanti this year to cover large sections of the society;

(c) whether NSIC is extending several concessions to Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes, physically handicapped persons and to small scale industries in backward areas; and

(d) to what extent the Corporation has so far helped these areas?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY AND STEEL AND MINES (SHRI NARAYAN DATT TIWARI): (a) The Corporation plans to supply machines, worth Rs. 12 crores to all types of small entrepreneurs including weaker sections of society.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) Machines worth about Rs. 24 crores have so far been supplied to entrepreneurs in backward areas and to entrepreneurs of special categories, namely, Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes, Ex-Servicemen and physically handicapped persons.

#### Power Generation capacity of Nuclear Power Plants in India

\*342. SHRI ARJUN SETHI: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that nuclear power stations generate only 2 per cent of electricity now produced in India in a year;

(b) if so, what is the Atomic Energy Commission's plan to install nuclear energy capacity by 2000 A. D.; and

(c) the specific steps taken to achieve the target by that time?

THE PRIME MINISTER (SHRI-MATI INDIRA GANDHI): (a) The installed capacity of nuclear power plants accounts for approximately 2.6 per cent of the present installed capacity for electricity generation.

(b) and (c). It is proposed to increase the installed capacity of nuclear power plants to 10,000 MWe by the year 2000. For this, it is initially proposed to set up a number of 235 MWe unit size reactors of the standardised, Narora type to be scaled up later to 500 MWe unit size. Our existing proven resources of uranium are considered adequate to meet this target. Facilities for mining and milling of Uranium, manufacturing of fuel and heavy water are also being augmented as required. In addition, efforts are being made to enable indigenous industry to gear itself to the production of the various components required for this programme.