

**SHRI N. DENNIS :** May I know from the hon. Minister whether there are proposals under the consideration of the Government for the establishment of a new factory in Kanya Kumari District as a further step for the fraction of the rare earth minerals and to manufacture finished goods here itself so as to augment the export of these products and finished goods ?

**SHRI SHIVRAJ V. PATIL :** Permission has been given to one of the persons to establish a factory in the area.

**SHRI N. DENNIS :** As per the report of the DMRL Hyderabad, quantitatively Kanya Kumari District in Tamil Nadu occupies the highest place with the Imenite deposit of 57 million tons. In Kerala and Orissa the quantity is 33 million tonnes each. Titanium dioxide chemical processing units are already established in Kerala and Orissa. There is ample scope for the establishment of a Titanium metal factory at Manavalakurichy. May I know whether the hon. Minister would consider to locate the proposed Titanium Metal factory in his industrially backward district of Kanya Kumari ?

**SHRI SHIVRAJ V. PATIL :** The requirement of Titanium can be met and we have the MIDHAMI and other factories which are meeting our requirements. When this is the position, at this stage it would be difficult to say whether the factory would be established there or not.

#### Survey of per Capita Income of Gujarat

\*460. **SHRI CHHITTUBHAI GAMIT :** Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state :

(a) whether any economic survey has been conducted by Government in the State of Gujarat regarding the per capita income of State domestic products during 1982-83 ;

(b) whether there has been any fall while comparing to the preceding year ; and

(c) if so, to what extent and the reasons thereof ?

**THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY, ATOMIC ENERGY, SPACE, ELECTRONICS AND OCEAN**

**DEVELOPMENT (SHRI SHIVRAJ V. PATIL) :** (a) No, Sir. The Government of India has not conducted any Economic Survey in the State of Gujarat.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

**श्री छोटूभाई गामित :** मैं जानना चाहता हूँ कि गुजरात की प्रति-व्यक्ति आय का पता लगाने के लिए कब सर्वेक्षण किया गया था, इस सर्वेक्षण के आधार पर गुजरात में प्रति व्यक्ति आय क्या है और पिछले पांच वर्षों में प्रति-व्यक्ति आय में वृद्धि हुई है या गिरावट आई है, इसका पूरा ब्योरा क्या है ?

**श्री शिवराज बी० पाटिल :** हमारे यहां जो सर्वे हुआ है, वह आल-इंडिया लेबल पर हुआ है और उसकी इनफारमेशन हमारे पास है। स्टेट गवर्नमेंट ने जो सर्वे किया है, उसकी पूरी डिटेल्ज हमारे पास नहीं हैं, माननीय सदस्य जो पांच साल का ब्योरा मांग रहे हैं, वह हम उनको लिखित रूप में दे देंगे।

**श्री छोटूभाई गामित:** हमारे देश में जो लोग गरीबी की रेखा से नीचे का जीवन व्यतीत कर रहे हैं, ऐसे लोगों को, और खासकर गुजरात में ऐसे लोगों को, ऊपर उठाने के लिए पिछले पांच वर्षों में गुजरात सरकार को भारत सरकार की तरफ से कितनी धनराशि दी गई है, मंत्री महोदय इसके बारे में ब्योरा देने की कृपा करें।

**श्री शिवराज बी० पाटिल :** यह भी हम लिखित रूप में दे देंगे।

#### Non-utilisation of Capacity by BHEL, Hardwar

\*462. **SHRI INDRAJIT GUPTA :** Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state :

(a) whether his attention has been drawn to the remarks of the Executive Director of BHEL, Hardwar, on Republic Day, 1984 expressing concern at non-utilisation of capacity due to imports of power plant and equipment ;

(b) whether adequate capacity was developed at Hardwar, based on technology

taken from M/s. Siemens of West Germany for manufacture of largest size thermal sets ; and

(c) if so, whether import of such equipment from advanced countries will be stopped in the interest of self-reliance ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI PATTABHI RAMA RAO) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Adequate capacity has been developed at Hardwar for manufacture of large size turbo generators based on technology from M/s. KWU, a subsidiary of M/s. Siemens of West Germany.

(c) BHEL's capability in the field of manufacture of power generation equipment is well recognised. It is Government's policy to ensure maximum utilisation of the indigenous capacity. Import of power generation equipment is permitted only on exception basis.

SHRI INDRAJIT GUPTA : Sir, if I may say so, this is a completely evading and misleading answer. In reply to part (a), they have said, "Yes". That means, the remarks of the Executive Director of BHEL, are there. The remarks have come to their notice. But he says nothing about that. The Executive Director himself has complained that the capacity is not being fully utilised. The reasons for that, as he said, are that the import orders are being placed for those sets which can be manufactured equally well and is being manufactured at Hardwar. I would like to know from the Minister whether this policy will be permitted to continue so that whatever our public sector plants are there, they are rendered idle.

MR. SPEAKER : This is a very important question. Look into it. I have also seen that plant. You see that the utilisation is done to the maximum extent. I think, it will be benefited. Why should we import it if we can manufacture it ?

SHRI PATTABHI RAMA RAO : Sir, only in exceptional cases such as where the machinery is not available, we are importing, not otherwise.

MR. SPEAKER : Would you seriously take this up ?

SHRI PATTABHI RAMA RAO : Yes, Sir.

MR. SPEAKER : Question Hour is over.

#### WRITTEN ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS

##### Shut Down of Kota Atomic Power Station

\*446. SHRI SATISH AGARWAL :  
SHRI MOHANLAL PATEL :

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the news item appearing in the 'Statesman' dated 28 February, 1984 wherein it has been stated that Rajasthan Atomic Power Plant No. 1 at Kota may have to be shut down permanently ;

(b) whether it has also been stated that foreign experts have indicated that the plant is beyond repairs ;

(c) the reasons thereof ;

(d) estimated loss to the exchequer as a result thereof ; and

(e) whether Government propose to make any efforts so that this plant may not be shut down ?

THE PRIME MINISTER (SHRIMATI INDIRA GANDHI) : (a) Government is aware of the news item. There is no move to permanently shut down Unit I of the Rajasthan Atomic Power Station.

(b) The foreign experts have not examined the plant.

(c) Does not arise.

(d) This is difficult to estimate at this stage.

(e) Yes, Sir, efforts are being made.

##### Production Capacity of Cold Rolled Steel Strips

\*449. SHRI KRISHNA CHANDRA PANDEY : Will the Minister of STEEL AND MINES be pleased to state :

(a) whether Cold Rolling Mills Association has represented and explained that the