

Opening of Gallery of Indian Photography

5112. SHRIMATI SHEILA D'KSHIT:
Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to State :

(a) whether an Archive or a Gallery of Indian Photography exists;

(b) if so, details thereof; and

(c) if not, whether Government would plan such a gallery to preserve rare Indian photographs and the history of Indian photography?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT AND HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI P.V. NARASIMHA RAO) : (a) NO, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) At present, there is no such plan.

[*Translation*]

Loss Incurred by Hindustan Shipyard Ltd.

5113. SHRI KALI PRASAD PANDEY :
SHRI BHATTAM SRI RAMA MURTY

Will the Minister of TRANSPORT be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Hindustan Shipyard Ltd have incurred a loss of more than Rs. 13 crores during 1984—85;

(b) whether it is also a fact that this Shipyard has incurred total loss of Rs. 34 crores so far;

(c) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(d) the action taken to make good the loss?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI RAJESH PILOT) : (a) and (b) Yes.

(c) and (d) Losses have been the outcome of the following :

(i) Unremunerative price realised by the shipyard on the ships in

terms of the Government-administered Pricing Formula.

(ii) The high incidence of interest burden on bank borrowings occasioned by prolonged non-receipt of event-linked payments from the owners.

(iii) Increased material cost, exchange variation and price escalation due to inflation.

Government have initiated action to revise the pricing formula keeping in view the interest of both the Shipyards and the shipping companies. Government also propose to restructure the capital base of shipyard, so as to reduce the incidence of the interest burden on Government loans etc.

[*English*]

Electrification of Barsati Railway Station (Jaunpur District)

5114. SHRI KAMLA PRASAD SINGH:
Will the Minister of TRANSPORT be pleased to State steps taken/proposed to electrify the Barsati Railway Station in Jaunpur District, Uttar Pradesh on priority?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): Barsathi Railway Station has so far not been programmed for electrification and there is no proposal to do so in the near future.

Setting up of Drug Advisory Boards by States and Union Territories

5115. SHRI D.B. PATIL : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to State :

(a) whether it is a fact that Government of India have asked States and Union Territories to set up Drug Advisory Boards to advise the licencing authorities in the matter of granting licences for drug formulations;