

**Thermal Power Project in Kanyakumari,
Tamil Nadu**

107. SHRI N. DENNIS: Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal to establish a thermal power station in Kanyakumari district of Tamil Nadu; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF ENERGY AND MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI ARIF MOHAMMAD KHAN): (a) and (b). No proposal in regard to the setting up of a thermal power station in the Kanyakumari district in Tamil Nadu has been received in the Central Electricity Authority.

**Extension of Tanda-Akbarpur shuttle
upto Jaunpur**

108. SHRI YADVENDRA DATTA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to extend the Tanda-Akbarpur shuttle upto Jaunpur so as to serve the entire area between Akbarpur and Jaunpur in view of a great public demand of the area; and

(b) if so, when?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

**Gas Based Power Station at Mehsana
in Gujarat**

109. SHRI KHEMCHANDBHAI SOM-ABHAI CHAVDA: Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is an acute shortage

of electricity in Gujarat;

(b) whether there is availability of Natural Gas in Mehsana District for the location of a gas based power station; and

(c) if so, the steps Government propose to take to meet the shortage of electricity in Gujarat?

THE MINISTER OF ENERGY AND MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI ARIF MOHAMMAD KHAN): (a) to (c). The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

**Supply of Gas to Thermal Power
Station in Gujarat**

110. SHRI KHEMCHANDBHAI SOM-ABHAI CHAVDA: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of wells producing crude oil and associated gas or only natural gas in north Gujarat;

(b) whether gas produced by these wells is not utilised to the extent possible; and

(c) if so, whether Government propose to supply the gas to the gas based thermal power station in North Gujarat to meet the shortage of electricity in Gujarat?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS (SHRI M.S. GURUPADASWAMY): (a) As on 1.11.1989 there were 916 wells producing crude oil and associated gas or only free gas in the North Gujarat fields of ONGC.

(b) Natural Gas produced from these wells is utilised to the extent possible, except for low pressure gas which requires compression, and when the consumers fail to