

the installation of Diesel Generation Power Projects at Kasargode (60 MW) and Brahmapuram (100 MW) in Kerala. The proposal for Brahmapuram has been recommended to the Planning Commission for investment decision. The clearance given in respect of Kasargode project is subject to the clearance of the Ministry of Environment & Forests from environmental angle and Central Ground Water Board for ground Water for cooling system, being obtained by Kerala State Electricity Board (KSEB). As regards Kozhikode Diesel Generating project (126 MW) the CEA has not considered it for techno-economic appraisal as the essential inputs/clearances such as water availability, environmental clearance, clearance of the Civil Aviation authorities, compliance of section 29 of the Electricity (Supply) Act, 1948 etc. have not been tied up by the KSEB.

(b) and (c) The first unit of the Diesel Generating Project could be commissioned within 18 months after the placement of orders on the suppliers. However, the construction work leading to the commissioning of the Diesel Generating Projects could commence only after investment approval by the Planning Commission has been accorded and funding arrangements for their implementation are tied up.

#### **National Food processing Policy.**

85. SHRI V. SOBHANASREEWARA RAO: Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have since formulated the new food processing policy;

(b) if so, the salient features thereof; and

(c) the time by which it is likely to be implemented?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRI TARUN GOGOI) (a) to (c) Action has been initiated to formulate a National Food processing Policy which will address issues relating to accelerated growth and development of Food Processing Industries which a view to augment employment opportunities and incomes, both in rural and urban areas, reduce post harvest losses, establish productive linkages between industry and farmers, increase exports of processed food and generally support the productive efforts of agriculture and allied activities.

[Translation]

#### **Air/Doordarshan Kendras in Maharashtra**

86. SHRI VILASRAO NAGNATHRAO GUNDEWAR: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have identified the Akashwani and Doordarshan kendras for upgradation in Maharashtra during 1993-94; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI K. P. SINGH DEO) (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. The following schemes of All India Radio in the State of Maharashtra have been identified for upgradation during 1993-94:-

S.No.	Place	Scheme	
		From	To
1.	Bombay	10 KW SW	50 KW SW
2.	Parbhani	Relay Centre	Fu-lledged radio station
3.	parbhani	10 KW MW	20 KW MW