

(c) The main reason for low generation in Bihar was due to poor performance of thermal power stations.

[English]

Transmission System of Energy

8037. SHRI SUDHIR GIRI: Will the Minister of POWRE AND NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) the steps taken so far to prepare and implement the project of back to back transmission system of energy connecting the Eastern Zone with the Northern zone.

(b) the total estimated cost for the project; and

(c) the time by which the proposed project is likely to be completed?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF POWER AND NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES (SHRI KALP NATH RA): (a) to (c). NPTC has formulated a proposal for implementation of HVDC Back to Back transmission system for establishment for inter-regional link between Northern Region (Mau in U.P.) and Eastern Region (Bihar shariif, in Bihar) with an estimated cost of Rs. 566.85 crores.

The Project is likely to be commissioned within 48 months from the date of award of contract for HVDC equipments.

T.V. Towers and Doordarshan Relay Centres in Churu District of Rajasthan

8038. SHRI RAM SINGH KASHWAN: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) the places in Churu district of Rajasthan T.V towers and T.V. relay Centres have

been set up;

(b) whether the Government propose to set up more T.V. towers and relay centres in Rajasthan, particularly in Churu district; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (KUMARIGIRIJAVYAS):

(a) Low Power TV transmitters are present functioning at Churu and Sardarshahar in Churu district of Rajasthan.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) Seven High Power TV transmitters, thirteen Low Power TV transmitters including the ones at Siroongargarh, Sujanganh and Ratanganh in Churu district of Rajasthan and five Very Low Power TV transmitters are presently under implementation/envisaged to be set up in Rajasthan.

Effect on ITDC after Joint Venture of International Hotel Chains

8039. SHRI LOKANATH CHOUDHURY:
SHRIMATI GEETA KUKHERJEE:
SHRI BHUBANESHWAR PRASAD MEHTA:

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state the shape, role and responsibility of the India Tourism Development Corporation after the implementation of the Joint Ventures of ITDC hotel properties with international hotel chains?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): ITDC would continue to operate hotels other than those formed into Joint Ventures, and also play its existing role and discharge