

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI BRAHMA DUTT) : (a) to (c). Exploration drilling of well Mandapeta-I Alamuru area is currently under progress. The well was spudded on 14-3-1988 has reached a depth of 4302 metres. The production potential, if any, will be known only after the testing of well is complete.

Compliance of Statutory Provisions Regarding Furnishing of Annual Accounts by Public Sector Companies

4308. SHRI H.M.PATEL: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that several public sector corporate entities have not been presenting accounts in the format prescribed under section 211(5) of the companies Act, 1956;

(b) whether these public sector corporate entities also do not conform to the Income Tax Act, 1961 and the Companies Act, 1956 while preparing their yearly financial statements; and

(c) if so, the steps taken to reform/ remedy these shortcoming in preparation of yearly financial statements?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM) : (a) Section 211(5) of the Companies Act, 1956 has not prescribed any format to present accounts of public sector corporate entities

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Does not arise.

STD Facility at Kanjirapally

4309. SHRI GEORGE JOSEPH MUNDACKAL : Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) how much work has been completed

and how much amount has been spent for the STD facility at Kanjirapally Exchange in Kottayam district in Kerala State;

(b) the time by which the subscribers are likely to get STD facility; and

(c) the reasons for delay?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI GIRIDHAR GOMANGO) : (a) Infrastructure at both ends have been made ready. No separate funds are allotted for providing STD.

(b) STD will be provided during 1989-90.

(c) The supply of appropriate Radio equipment has been delayed.

Opening of Information Centre At Vijayawada

4310. SHRI V. SOBHANADREESWARA RAO: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether there are many places of historical, tourist and worship in and around Vijayawada city;

(b) if so, whether there are representations for opening a Information Centre at Vijayawada, and

(c) the reaction of Government in that regard ?

THE MINISTER OF PARLIAMEN-TARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI H.K.L.BHAGAT) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) Vijayawada already has a Branch office of PIB which provides adequate service to Journalists and the newspapers and periodicals published from there.