

**Power Generating Units in Private Sector**

7706. SHRI V. SOBHANADREESWARA RAO: Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) the number of power generating units in private sector set up before independence and still working as on 1st January, 1989;

(b) whether some of these units have applied for financial assistance for

expansion; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF POWER IN THE MINISTRY OF ENERGY (SHRI KALPNATHRAI): (a) In 1947, there were 229 power generating units (Companies) in the private sector in the country, of which seven were working as on 31st March, 1988.

(b) and (c). The requisite details are as follows:

| <i>Name of the Company</i>           | <i>Name of the Project</i>                         | <i>Financial assistance sanctioned/applied</i>          |
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| 1. M/s Tata Power Companies          | (i) Trombay Thermal Power Project—Unit-VI (500 MW) | US \$ 135.4 million (world Bank).                       |
|                                      | (ii) Salsette Switching Station;                   |   |
|                                      | (iii) Grant Road Sub-Station;                      | US \$ 38-40 million (International Finance Corporation) |
|                                      | (iv) Dharavi Switching Station; and                |   |
|                                      | (v) Trombay-Dharavi 220 KV line                    |   |
| 2. M/s Ahmedabad Electricity Co. Ltd | Combined Cycle Power Plant (100 MW)                | US \$ 20 million (International Finance Corporation)    |

**Cordless Telephones**

7707. SHRI V. KRISHNA RAO: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether cordless telephones are being used in the country; and  
(b) if so, the number thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI

GIRIDHAR GOMANGO): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

**Postal and Telecommunication Projects in Orissa**

7708. SHRI ANANTA PRASAD SETHI: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state: