

(ख) जी, हाँ। अनुदान उन संघटनों के प्रकार के आधार पर समाचार एजेंसियों की आवश्यकताओं से संबंधित है।

(ग) दो भाषायी समाचार एजेंसियों को दिए गए अनुदान का एक भाग इस उद्देश्य में सहायता देने के लिए रिलीज किया गया था।

#### Setting up New Thermal Power Stations in Gujarat

4971. SHRI AMAR SINGH V. RATHAWA: Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Planning Commission has approved any proposal for setting up new

Thermal Power Station in Gujarat State during the Sixth Plan period;

(b) if so, the number of such plants and site selected; and

(c) their production capacity?

THE MINISTER OF ENERGY (SHRI P. RAMACHANDRAN):

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c). The Planning Commission has approved the following proposals for installation of thermal power stations in Gujarat State during the Plan period 1978-83:

Name of the thermal project	Location	No. of & capacity (MW)
Ukai Thermal Power Station Units No. 3 & 4	Ukai	2 x 200 MV
Ukai Thermal Power Station Unit No. 5	Ukai	1 x 210 MW
Wanakbori Thermal Power Station St I	Wanakbori	3 x 210 MW
Wanakbori Thermal Power Station Stage II	Wanakbori	3 x 210 MW

#### Exploration of Heavy Minerals on Indian Coast

4972. SHRI R.V. SWAMINATHAN: Will the Minister of STEEL & MINES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Geological Survey of India plans to explore in the near future location of reserves of heavy minerals on the Indian coast;

(b) if so, whether any investigation was made in this regard;

(c) what are the plans to explore heavy minerals and;

(d) whether any foreign assistance will be called for?

THE MINISTER OF STEEL AND MINES (SHRI BIJU PATNAIK):

(b) Surveys carried out along the Indian coast by the Geological Survey of India have been indicated occurrences of black sand comprising heavy minerals like ilmenite, monazite, zircon, rutile and

garnet along the coast of Kerala, Maharashtra, Tamil Nadu, Andhra Pradesh and Orissa.

(c) During the Annual Plan of the Geological Survey of India for 1978-79 it is proposed to carry out investigations for ilmenite and other heavy minerals from the black sands off Ratnagiri coast.

(d) There is no proposal under consideration at present.

#### Plans to Switch over to FM BAND Broadcasting

4973. SHRI D. D. DESAI: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have plans to switch over to FM band broadcasting in the next two years;

(b) if so, the steps taken to obtain FM bands against the existing AM bands frequencies for various AIR stations;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the cost of switch over for ordinary radio receivers?

**THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI L.K. ADVANI) :** (a) to (c). FM band 87-103 MHz is already allocated for broadcasting in the country in addition to the existing AM bands. FM service has been functioning at Madras since July, 1977 and is expected to start functioning at Bombay and Calcutta during the current year. FM Service is also likely to start in Delhi in the next two years or so.

(d) The Working Group on Autonomy for Akashvani and Doordarshan has stated that "the price difference between standard AM receivers and AM-FM receivers is likely to be of the order of 20 to 30 per cent and low cost AM-FM sets may become available at about Rs. 165."

**Setting up of Fertilizer Plants in Gujarat by IFFCO and National Fertilizer Company**

4974. **SHRI D. D. DESAI:** Will the Minister of PETROLEUM, CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to State:

(a) whether IFFCO and National Fertilizer Co. are setting up fertilizer plants in Gujarat with the Bombay High Gas as feedstock;

(b) if so, the gas requirements of these fertilizer factories; and

(c) whether Government have guaranteed the supply of this quantity of Gas to these factories?

**THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM, CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI NARSINGH YADAV) :**

(a) Yes, Sir. It is proposed to set up two large sized gas based fertilizer plants in Gujarat. Of these, two plants, one will be implemented by Indian Farmers Fertilizer Cooperative Ltd. and the other by National Fertilizers Ltd.

(b) The requirement of gas for the two plants together has been estimated at 2.8 million Nm<sup>3</sup> per day.

(c) No difficulty is anticipated in making available the required quantity of gas for these plants.

**Shift of proposed Steel Plant from Hospet to Mangalore**

4975. **SHRI D. D. DESAI:** Will the Minister of STEEL AND MINES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Karnataka Government has finally agreed to the Central Government's proposal to shift the proposed steel plant at Hospet to Mangalore;

(b) if not, whether Government will go ahead with its proposal; and

(c) whether site has been acquired for this purpose in Mangalore?

**THE MINISTER OF STEEL AND MINES (SHRI BIJU PATNAIK) :**

(a) and (b). Since there is no proposal to shift Hospet Steel Plant, the question does not arise.

(c) No, Sir.

**Discovery of Huge Reserve of Coking Coal in Asansol**

4976. **SHRI D. D. DESAI.** Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether a huge reserve of 10 million tonnes of coking coal has been found recently in Asansol; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

**THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENERGY (SHRI JANESHWAR MISHRA) :** (a) and (b). Yes, Sir. An additional resource of medium coking coal has been proved in Chanch-Begunia area west of Asansol. A gross indicated reserve of 20 million tonnes from Begunia and Ramnagar seams has been assessed by Geological Survey of India in southern part of Ramnagar lease hold and Begunia area.

**Books and Pamphlets issued by Publications Division**

4977. **SHRI G. M. BANATWALLA:** Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) what was the total number of (i) books and (ii) pamphlets issued by the Publications Division during the years 1975-76 1976-77 and 1977-78 and the annual expenditure thereon;

(b) what was the total number of (i) books and (ii) pamphlets in Urdu language issued by the Publications Division during the aforesaid years and the annual expenditure thereon; and

(c) what steps, if any, are proposed to be taken for an adequate increase in Urdu publications?

**THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI L. K. ADVANI) :** (a) and (b). A statement is attached.

(c) The Publications Division is endeavouring to produce more books in Urdu as well as in other regional languages. Ten (10) Urdu titles are at present under consideration in the Publications Division. These include a special title "Paheliyan" which is being brought out in the context of the International Year of the Child.