

(a) State-wise distribution of told migrants (viz. 41.17 lakh persons) as on 31-12-61

(North East States have been underlined)

	Number of refugees.
(1) Andaman & Nicobar Islands	10,500
(2) Assam	4,87,000
(3) Bihar	65,000
(4) Madhya Pradesh	24,500
(5) Manipur	2,000
(6) Orissa	12,000
(7) Uttar Pradesh	20,000
(8) West Bengal	31,21,000
(9) Tripura	3,74,000
(10) Rajasthan	1,000
	41,17,000

(b) Statewise distribution of new migrants (viz. 11.14 lakh persons) as on 25-3-1971

(1) West Bengal	7,56,619
(2) Assam	2,14,318
(3) Tripura	1,43,021
	Total
	11,13,958
	Say 11.14 Lakhs.

Exploiting River Waters for Power Generation

1820. SHRI AMARSINH V. RATHAWA: Will the Minister of ENERGY AND COAL be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal under the consideration of Government to exploit the country's river waters for generating power;

(b) whether any experiment has been made; and

(c) if so, the result achieved?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENERGY (SHRI VIKRAM MAHAJAN): (a) to (c). The Government is anxious to exploit the country's hydro power potential. In this connection, following steps have been taken:—

(i) Hydro-electric projects with a total installed capacity of 10,169.5 MW are already at different stages of construction.

(ii) The reassessment of hydro-electric potential in the country is being carried out in the Central Electricity Authority.

(iii) In pursuance of the above reassessment, the Central Electricity Authority has undertaken a study to identify further hydel schemes that could be taken up for execution in a phased manner.

(iv) With a view to increasing the hydro component in the power plan, the National Hydroelectric Power Corporation and North Eastern Electric Power Corporation have been established in the Central Sector, for taking up the execution of suitable projects and thus supplementing the efforts of the States, in this regard.

(v) Serious attention is also being given to improving the methods of investigation and construction, with a view to executing the projects within the shortest time-frame.

Oil Exploration of Kerala Coast

1821. SHRI K. KUNNHAMBU: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS be pleased to state:

(a) whether oil exploration of Kerala Coast is still going on; and

(b) if so, the progress achieved so far?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM, CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI VEERENDRA PATIL): (a) and (b). The ONGC drilled an exploratory well 60 Kms. North-West of Cochin to a depth of approximately 1755 metres during April-May, 1978. This well proved dry. They drilled a well on another structure namely Kasargod to the North of Calicut to a depth of 2733 metres during April-May, 1980. This well has also proved dry.

Geophysical survey has been conducted in the shelf area between Calicut and Mangalore on contract basis during February-April, 1980. Arrangements to process and interpret the data obtained by this survey are being made. Further exploratory programme will depend upon the evaluation of this data.

Supply of Kerosene in drought affected Districts of Orissa

1822. SHRI ARJUN SETHI: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS be pleased to state whether the Central Government have made efforts to have adequate stocks and ensure the supply of kerosene to the common people on fair price shops in the drought affected districts of Orissa?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM, CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI VEERENDRA PATIL): The Central Government makes allocation of kerosene to the States and Union Territories on a monthly basis. The retail distribution of this product through fair price shops or other outlets to the different parts of Orissa State, including the drought-affected districts of the State, is the responsibility of the State Government.

Opening of New Radio and T.V. Stations

(a) whether Government are pre-Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are preparing a scheme to expedite the

opening of the new radio stations in different parts of the country within the next 10 years;

(b) if so, how many stations are likely to be opened and names of those places; and

(c) whether Government are also planning to open new Television Station during next 10 years, if so how many T.V. Stations are going to be opened and with what cost?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRIMATI RAM DULARI SINHA): (a) and (b). The setting up of new stations depends upon the availability or resources and relative priorities. The approved Plan for 1978-83 provided for the setting up of the following new stations:—

1. Tura in Meghalaya
2. Gangtok in Sikkim
3. Agra in Uttar Pradesh
4. Madurai in Tamil Nadu
5. Jamshedpur in Bihar

Provision has also been made for setting up district level radio stations at 5 centres in the country. Tentatively it has been decided to locate these at:

1. Kota in Rajasthan
2. Diphu in Assam
3. Keonjhar in Orissa
4. Adilabad in Andhra Pradesh
5. Nagarcoil in Tamil Nadu

The preparation of the new Five Year Plan (1980-85) is, however, in process.

(c) Plans for expansion of TV service in the country by relaying programmes through INSAT, setting up relay centres on P and T microwave link routes and additional T.V. centres in other parts of the country are yet to be finalised for the VIth Five Year Plan (1980-85). The approved Plan for 1978-83, however, provides for the