

**Electrification Scheme for Chilika
Parikud Area in Orissa**

1099. SHRI RAMA CHANDRA RATH: Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Rural Electrification Corporation has received any scheme from the Orissa Government for the electrification of Chilika Parikud areas;

(b) if so, whether such scheme has been cleared by the REC; and

(c) the details of this scheme ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENERGY (SHRI VIKRAM MAHAJAN): (a) & (b). Rural Electrification Corporation has sanctioned, in February, 1976, a rural electrification scheme submitted by the Orissa State Electricity Board covering Garh Krishna Prasad Block in the Chilika Parikud Area in Puri District.

(c) The details of the scheme referred to in rep'y to parts (a) and (b) of the Question are as follows:

- (i) Cost of the scheme: 5.925 lakhs
- (ii) Loan amount sanctioned : Rs. 5.509 lakhs
- (iii) Villages covered: 10
All the 10 villages have since been electrified.

**Proposal to set up oil Terminal at
Paradeep**

1100. SHRI RAMA CHANDRA RATH: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM, CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have a proposal to set up an oil terminal at Paradeep;

(b) if so, the progress made so far in the implementation of this proposal; and

(c) the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM, CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI P. C. SETHI): (a) Yes Sir.

(b) and (c). The detailed project report regarding the proposal for the setting up of an oil terminal at Paradeep is under finalisation by Hindustan Petroleum Corporation Limited. It is not possible to give details in this regard at this state.

**Irregularities in supply of cooking
gas cylinders**

1101. SHRI RAMA CHANDRA RATH: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM, CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there are a lot of irregularities in the supply of cooking gas cylinders;

(b) whether it is also a fact that the period of supply of gas cylinder to the customer has even extended to more than one month;

(c) if so, the reasons of the irregularities in the supply of gas cylinders; and

(d) what specific steps his Ministry has taken or proposed to take to maintain regularity in this regard ?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM, CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI P. C. SETHI): (a) to (c): There had been temporary disruptions in the supply of cooking gas in the different parts of the country due to various reasons like the closure of Barauni refinery, reduced availability of the product from the other refineries, industrial relations problems and transportation bottlenecks, resulting in delayed refill supplies to the customers.

(d) The Barauni refinery has already re-started. Besides, the availability of supplies at Bombay has improved considerably and the product is being moved to various destinations. With the availability of additional LPG expected from Bombay High from March, this year, the supply position is expected to further improve.

**Loss of import of oil due to Iran-Iraq
War**

1102. PROF. MADHU DANDAVATE: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM, CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

(a) to what extent has the import of oil suffered as a result of Iran-Iraq war; and

(b) what steps have been taken to make up for this loss of import of oil ?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM, CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI P. C. SETHI): (a) and (b). There were some shortfalls in the supplies of crude oil as a result of Iran-Iraq war. These shortfalls were however made good partly by imports from existing and new sources and partly by spot purchases.