

the next meeting of the Central Electricity Authority for according techno-economic clearance. After CEA has accorded techno-economic clearance to the project, the project proposal would be referred to the Planning Commission for investment sanction.

Names of cities where full-fledged or Microwave System TV Stations to be set up

343. SHRIMATI JAYANTI PATNAIK: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) the names of the cities in the country where full-fledged or microwave system television stations are going to be set up on a priority basis;

(b) the reasons for setting up such television stations on a priority basis; and

(c) the expected time of the installation of aforesaid full-fledged or microwave system television stations in those places?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI VASANT SATHE): (a) During the Sixth Plan period, the following full-fledged TV Centres/TV Relay Centres are proposed be set up:

(a) Full-fledged TV Centres:

1. Bangalore 2. Ahmedabad 3. Tiruvandrum; and 4. Gauhati.

(b) Relay Centres:

1. Kasauli 2. Murshidabad 3. Madurai 4. Asansol 5. Vijayawada 6. Cuttack 7. Panaji, and 8. Varanasi.

The Relay Centres at Murshidabad, Madurai, Asansol, Vijayawada, Panaji and Varanasi will be linked with the P&T microwave system.

(b) and (c). The above mentioned projects have been approved under the Sixth Plan with a view to extend TV coverage in the country as early as possible within the available resources. All these projects are expected to be

completed during the Sixth Plan period 1980—85.

Plans for Self-sufficiency in L.P. Gas

344. SHRIMATI JAYANTI PATNAIK: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM, CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that efforts have been made by his ministry to make the country self sufficient in liquified petroleum gas;

(b) if so, what are the various programmes undertaken by his Ministry in that regard;

(c) the expected time (year) of making the country self-sufficient in L.P.G. (cooking gas); and

(d) the details thereof?

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

(b) to (d). LPG is expected to be available on a substantial scale from the following sources;

1. Uran Plant of the Oil and Natural Gas Commission (ONGC).

2. Mathura and Koyali Refineries.

3. LPG Extraction plant of the Oil India Ltd., Assam.

4. Refinery expansion programmes.

5. LPG Fractionation unit at Hazira. With the increased availability of LPG, it is expected that the demand of LPG, in the country can be met by indigenous production within the next two to three years.

Construction of Telephone Building for Dhenkanal District Headquarter in Orissa

345. SHRI K. P. SINGH DEO: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the telephone building for Dhankanal District Headquarter in Orissa has been completed;