

Long Distance PCOs to be opened

1. Umarpada
2. Umarda
3. Sakarpatal
4. Kalidel
5. Jarkhaei
6. Raigadh
7. Balama
8. Kaveldi
9. Fulwadi

Setting up of TV Centre and A.I.R. Station at Surat

216. SHRI CHHITTUBHAI GAMIT : Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state :

(a) whether there was a proposal for setting up an All India Radio Station and a Television Centre at Surat in Gujarat during the Sixth Five Year Plan ;

(b) if so, the time by which these would be set up there ; and

(c) the details of the concrete steps being taken by Government in this regard ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING AND IN THE DEPARTMENT OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN) : (a) to (c). In the approved Sixth Plan, there was no scheme either for setting up a Radio Station or a T.V. Centre. However, in the special Plan for T.V. expansion, a T.V. relay centre at Surat has been included. This will be commissioned in 1984-85.

Ban on Advertisements of Infant Food through Official Media

217. SHRI ARUN KUMAR NEHRU :

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government are considering to ban advertisements of infant food products through the official media ; and

(b) if so, when a decision is likely to be taken in the matter ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING AND IN THE DEPARTMENT OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN) : (a) and (b). The Government has already banned with effect from May 1983 advertisements of breast milk substitute baby foods and feeding bottles through the official media. However, existing contracts for such advertisements may continue till their expiry.

Thermal Power Station at Brajraj Nagar in Orissa

218. DR. KRUPASINDHU BHOI : Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government is proposing to set up a thermal power station at Brajraj Nagar in Orissa ; and

(b) if so, the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF ENERGY (SHRI P. SHIV SHANKAR) : (a) and (b). A Site Selection Committee appointed by Government of Orissa to identify a site suitable for setting up of a thermal power station for utilisation of [Ib Valley] coal had *inter-alia* considered a site near Brajraj Nagar. The Committee found Banharpali in Sambalpur district in Orissa as the most suitable site for the purpose. A project report for setting up a power station of 4 × 210 MW at the above site has been received from Government of Orissa. Necessary inputs such as coal linkage, clearance from environmental angle, availability of water and other infra-