Written Answers

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Uttar Pradesh			
Vishnuprayag HEP (M/s. JIL) (Chamoli)	4x100	=	400
 Srinagar HEP (M/s. Duncans (Industries Ltd.) (Pauri Garhwal) 	5x66	=	330
	Total		816
Thermal			
Uttar Pradesh			
Rosa TPP (Ph.I) (M/s. Indo-Gulf Fertilizers and Chemicals Corpn. Ltd.) (Shahjahanpur)	2x283.5	5 =	567
Gujarat			
Jamnagar TPP (Ph.I) (M/s. Reliance Power Ltd.)	2x250	=	500
Madhya Pradesh			
Bina TPS (M/s. Bina Power Supply Co. Ltd.)	2x289	=	578
Tamil Nadu			
 Tuticorin TPP IV (M/s. SPIC Electric Power Corp. Ltd.) 	1x525	=	5 2 5
Orissa			
Duburi TPP (M/s. Kalinga Power Corpn.)	2x250	=	500
	Total		2670
Gra	nd Total		3486

Petroleum Projects

1935, SHRI TARIQ ANWAR:

SHRI C. NARASIMHAN:

SHRI VIJAY HARISHCHANDRA PATEL:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

- (a) whether the Government have further decided to privatise oil exploration and production;
- (b) if so, the terms on which private companies, including foreign companies, by allowed to explore produce and sell crude oil and gas;
- (c) the total known oil reserves in the country as on 1.1.1997; and
- (d) the total land/sea area they cover and the area presently under production ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI T.R. BAALU): (a) and (b) In order to encourage private sector participation Government of India has announced the New exploration licensing policy. The salient features of the policy are :-

- Adopting the policy of open availability of exploration acreages in addition to existing bidding rounds.
- ONGC & OIL to compete for obtaining exploration licences on competitive basis alongwith other pvt. sector companies.
- ONGC & OIL to be provided a level playing field by providing same fiscal & contract terms as available for pyt, companies.
- Special package to encourage exploration in deep water and frontier areas.
- Freedom to contractors for marketing of crude oil and gas in domestic market.
- Exemption from Payment of petroleum exploration licences fee/area rentials.
- No compulsory state participation through ONGC and
- (c) Hydrocarbon reserves are estimated once in every year as on 31st March. The estimated recoverable reserves of oil and condensate as on 31.3.96 are 745.65 MMT.
- (d) Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Renewable Energy Sources

1936. SHRIMATI VASUNDHRA RAJE: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

- (a) whether the Government propose to expand , renewable energy program in Five year Plan;
 - (b) if so, the schemes proposed to be launched therefor;
 - (c) whether the solar cookers are getting increasingly popular in some states;
 - (d) if so, the specific scheme proposed to be implemented to promote solar cookers in that plan period;
 - (e) the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES (CAPT. JAI NARAYAN PRASAD NISHAD): (a) and (b) Proposals have been prepared for expending the renewable energy