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1997-98					
1.	400 KV D/C Vinchyachal-Jabalpur & Jabalpur Itarsi Trans Line	Optical Fibre Ground wire (OPGW) Air Conditioner with Portable DG sets, scaffolding & all weather tent.	US\$ 8,63,572.80 US\$ 31,600.00	World Bank Loan No. 3577- IN World Bank Loan No. 3577- IN	Canada
2.	400 KV Itarsi Dhule & Ramagundam Hyd Tr. Lines	Air Conditioner with Portable DG sets, Scaffolding & all weather tent.	PS 11,732.00	World Bank Loan No. 3577- IN	
3.	Jeypore Gazuwaka T/L	All Aluminium Alloy conductor (AAAC) Earthwire	US\$ 3600,465.34 US\$ 38,133.27	ADB ADB	China China
4.	245 KV GIS Switchyard at Kayamkulam	GIS Sub-station equipments	US\$ 10,082,435.00	World Bank Loan No. 3577- IN	Korea, Turkey & Switzerland
5.	2x500 MW HVDC B/B Project at Chandrapur	HVDC Terminal Equipments	PS 1,000,000.00	WMB Loan	U.K.
6.	1x500 MW HVDC B/B Project at Vizag	HVDC Terminal Equipments	PS 11,800,000.00	WMB Loan	U.K.
7.	800 KV Kishenpur- Moga Trans. Line	Optical fibre Ground wire- 115 Kms (OPGW) OPGW Accessories	US\$ 966,652.00 US\$ 650,056.00	World Bank Loan No. 3237- IN World Bank Loan No. 3237- IN	Goldstar Korea Goldstar Korea
8.	Northern Region Trans. System	210 KN disc Insulators- 398,265 NOS	US\$ 9,272,195.00	World Bank Loan No. 3237- IN	LIMIE C, China

Olive Ridley Turtles

2838. SHRI KHARABELA SWAIN : Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the rare Olive-Ridley turtles are coming to the beaches of Bhitarkanika of Orissa to lay their eggs for the last two years;

(b) if not, the reasons for their not coming; and

(c) the steps, Government propose to take in order to bring these rare species back to their natural habitat for egg laying ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI BABU LAL MARANDI): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) The steps taken by the Govt. are as follows:

1. Govt. of Orissa has decided that the mechanised boats with gill nets would not be allowed to fish in the area notified as Gahirmatha Sanctuary.
2. Forest Department has hired mechanised boats for effective patrolling of the area from land ward side. One Asstt. Conservator of Forests and a section of Police is being earmarked exclusively for the patrolling work.
3. Coast Guards have been directed to intensify the patrolling of the sanctuary from the Sea Ward side.

[Translation]

Objectives of Education

2839. SHRI RAJENDRA AGNIHOTRI: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government have accepted life-long education as its ideal and objective;
- (b) if so, whether the Government are considering to abolish the age limit for the general and technical education;
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (d) the funds provided for the development of

educational resources so as to achieve the said objective?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT AND MINISTER OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI): (a) to (c) The National Policy on Education (NPE), 1986 as modified in 1992 which was laid in both the Houses of Parliament, contemplates life-long education as cherished goal of the educational process. In pursuance of this Policy, a system of open learning through National Open School and Indira Gandhi National Open University, Non-formal education for school drop-outs, non-formal, flexible and need based vocational programmes and the National Literacy Mission for Adult Education provide opportunities for education to different sections of the society at a pace suited to them.

(d) A provision of Rs. 4245.14 crores (Plan) has been made for the Department of Education (Central Sector) in the budget proposals for the year 1998-99.

[English]

Environmental Projects

2840. SHRI ANANT KUMAR HEGDE: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the environmental projects taken up by the Government during the last three years; and
- (b) the progress achieved under these projects so far?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI BABU LAL MARANDI) : (a) and (b) Details of the environmental projects taken up by the Government during the last three years alongwith the progress achieved under these projects are given in the enclosed statement.

Statement

Rs. Crores

Sl. No.	Name of Scheme/Project	Main Objectives	Exp. during last three yrs. 1995-96, 1996-97, 1997-98
1	2	3	4
1.	World Bank aided Industrial Pollution Control Projects including setting up of CETPs	To prevent and alleviate environmental degradation caused by industrial operations.	71.61
2.	Environmental Audit	To encourage environmental audit as a management tool towards abatement of pollution	0.32
3.	Environmental Statistics and mapping	To facilitate collection and integration of environmental data for monitoring the effects of pollution	0.23
4.	Adoption of clean technologies by small scale industries	To promote development and adoption of clean technology including waste reuse and recycling for small scale industries	0.18