

<i>Name of the Project and Capacity</i>	<i>Amount of Aid (Million US \$)</i>
	<i>(Rs. Crores)</i>
1. Rayalseema (Muddanur) TPS-2x210 MW	$\frac{230}{375}$
2. North Madras TPS-3x210 MW	(i) $\frac{150}{258}$ (For Unit 1 & 2)
	(ii) $\frac{77.40}{133.13}$ (For unit 3)
3. Unchahar TPS Extension 2x210 MW	$\frac{160}{272}$

(c) and (d). The Central Electricity Authority has not received any proposal for installation of a thermal power project in Khajuraho.

Petrochemical Projects at Visakhapatnam

2040. SHRI J. CHOKKA RAO: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS be pleased to state the latest position with regard to the issue of letters of intent for the down-stream projects of petrochemical complex at Visakhapatnam in Andhra Pradesh?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS AND MINISTER OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI SATYA PRAKASH MALVIYA): Applications for issued of letters of intent for down stream projects of Vizag Naphtha Cracker have been received in Government. Decisions on such applications are taken on techno economic considerations after evaluation of the project proposals.

Supply of Coal to Cement Industry

2041. SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA: Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether cement industry had lately expressed serious apprehensions about substantial drop in production of cement due to critical supply position of coal;

(b) if so, the overall supply of coal position to this industry as on September 1990; and

(c) the steps taken or proposed to be taken to maintain proper supply of coal to the cement industry?

THE MINISTER OF ENERGY (SHRI KALYAN SINGH KALVI): (a) to (c). The overall supply of coal to the cement industry during the period April-September '90 was 45.7 lakh tonnes compared to 43.2 lakh tonnes in the same period last year. Coal supplies to cement industry specially in South, were low during this period on account of low

production in Singareni Collieries Co. due to strikes and disturbed law and order situation. The supplies have since improved. During April-December '90 Cement Industry has received approximately 7% more coal compared to the same period last year. The supply of coal to the cement sector is being closely monitored in consultation with the Railways and remedial action is being taken, wherever necessary. The overall supplies to the industry have been satisfactory and according to latest available information the industry has achieved a growth rate of approximately 6% over and above the production last year.

Shortage of Power in Delhi

2042. SHRI BALGOPAL MISHRA: Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether there was any shortage of power in Delhi during 1989 and 1990;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) the steps taken to monitor the power supply position in Delhi to avoid breakdown?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENERGY (SHRIBABANRAO DHAKANE): (a) to (c). The power supply position in Delhi in 1989 and 1990 was by and large satisfactory. The minor shortages in availability of power occasioned by the Northern grid conditions were managed by imposing peak period restrictions on industries and suitable load management. A Task Force has been set up by the Department of Power to closely monitor the supply of power in Delhi.

Electricity Rates in Delhi

2043. SHRI BALGOPAL MISHRA: Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal to increase the electricity rates in Delhi; and

(b) if so, the details in this regard and the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENERGY (SHRIBABANRAO DHAKANE): (a) and (b). Due to the all round increase in the cost of inputs, the present cost of generation and purchase of electricity by DESU is substantially more than the average realisation. It is, therefore, necessary for the DESU, to rationalise the power tariff in Delhi, so as to ensure financial viability of the undertaking for maintaining proper supply of electricity in the National Capital.

[*Translation*]

Hydro-Electric Projects of Uttar Pradesh

2044. SHRI HARI RAWAT: Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether all the Hydro-Electric Projects of Uttar Pradesh are pending for clearance with the Government;

(b) if so, the names of such projects and the time by which they are expected to be cleared/approved; and

(c) the proposed time schedules for their construction during the Eighth Plan?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENERGY (SHRIBABANRAO DHAKANE): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c). All the hydro electric schemes Uttar Pradesh tentatively included in the report of the Working Group on Power (De-