

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI RAJ-MANGAL PANDE); (a) and (b) There have been some demonstrations by teaching and non-teaching Staff Associations of North Eastern Hill University to press for their demands. The main demands of the Teachers' Association are, inter-alia:

- Action against misbehaviour and manhandling of the teachers in the University by an employee;
- Speedy implementation of Merit Promotion Scheme;
- Promotion of Lecturers to Senior/ Selection Grade;
- Provision of free hard-furnished accommodation to all teachers; and
- Visible steps to tone up administration.

The demands of the non-teaching Staff Association include, inter alia;

- Independent administrative status to School of Agricultural Sciences and Rural Development at Medzi-phema, Nagaland;
- Timely remittance of grants to various campuses of the University;
- Upgradation of certain posts;
- Revision of pay-scales of certain posts; and
- Promotion of welfare schemes.

(c) and (d) According to the information furnished by the University Grants Commission, the Commission approved construction of 50 staff quarters at an estimated cost of Rs. 53.11 lakhs in 1983, and 150 quarters in 1986 at an estimated cost of Rs. 504.87 lakhs. According to the information furnished by the University, 49 quarters have been completed and occupied, and other 18 staff quarters are expected to be completed by 1991.

Approval of loan by the Asian Development Bank for the North Madras Thermal Power Project

\*58. SHRI VIDUTHALAI VIRUMBI; SHRI GOPALSAMY;

Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Asian Development Bank has approved to extend loan for the North Madras Thermal Power Project;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(c) if it is the estimated generation capacity of this project and by when it is likely to be commissioned?

THE MINISTER OF ENERGY (SHRI KALYAN SINGH KALVI); (a) to (c) The Asian Development Bank (ADB) have extended a loan of US \$ 227.40 million for the implementation of the North Madras Thermal Power Project Stage-I (3x210 MW). A loan of US \$ 150 million was sanctioned by the ADB in 1986-87 for the first two units of 210 MW each of the proposed station. The second loan of US \$ 200 million sanctioned by the ADB in December, 1990 covers a loan assistance of US \$ 77.40 million for the third unit of 210 MW of the proposed station. The loan is to be repaid over a period of 25 years, including a grace period of 5 years. The loan carries a variable rate of interest currently 6.36 per cent plus a commitment charge of 0.75 per cent per annum. The project is likely to be commissioned as under: —

Unit-1	210 MW	June, 1993
Unit-2	210 MW	December, 1993
Unit-3	210 MW	June, 1994

#### Agreement with Australia

\*59. SHRI SUNIL BASU RAY: Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have recently entered into an agreement