

Statement II

New Unapproved Projects proposed by West Bengal Government

Name of the Projects	Capacity (MW)	Reasons for non-approval
1 Sagardih TPS	(3X210+2X500)	Financial provisions by State Government not firm.
2 Durgapur Projects Ltd. 7th Unit	1 X 210	Financial Provisions by State Government not firm.
3 Bakreshwar TPS	3 X 210	Clearance from State Forest Department for Ash Disposal System not received. The State Govt was last reminded on 13-10-1986 to arrange and furnish the same. Their reply is awaited. Besides, firm coal linkage and funding arrangements have not been established.
- 4 Ramman Stage I	2 X 15	Central Electricity Authority (CEA) has reported that revised estimates have not been received from the State Government.

Demand for TV relay station at Jamnagar

2231 SHRI RAMSINGHBHAI PATALIYABHAI RATHVAKOLI Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have received complaints of poor visibility of Television at Jamnagar;

(b) whether it is a fact that both the Television relay stations at Rajkot and Dwarka are unable to give proper coverage to Jamnagar due to the distance, as a result of which the people of Jamnagar are being deprived of important educational and information programmes,

(c) whether Government have received requests from some organisations for setting up a new television relay station at Jamnagar, if so, what are the names of those organisations and Government's response to the requests, and

(d) by when Jamnagar is likely to get a television relay station?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI AJIT PANJA)

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) TV reception at Jamnagar, which falls on the fringe of the coverage zone

of the existing high power (10 KW) TV transmitter at Rajkot, has improved consequent on repairs to the antenna system of the TV transmitter, Rajkot. However, the existing high power (10 KW) TV transmitter at Dwarka is not expected to provide service to Jamnagar.

(c) Requests have been received from various organisations, i.e., TV Viewers Union, Jamnagar Navangar Chamber of Commerce and Industry, Jamnagar and individuals from time to time for setting up of a TV transmitter at Jamnagar. Constraint of resources does not, however, permit the setting up of a new TV transmitter at Jamnagar during the VII Plan period.

(d) TV service in the country can be expanded only in a phased manner. As such, provision of a TV transmitter at Jamnagar will depend on the future availability of resources for this purpose.

**Dumping of garbage in plot belonging to American Embassy in South Extension
New Delhi**

2232 SHRI BIR BHADRA PRATAP SINGH Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that some associations have represented against com-

tinued dumping of garbage and filth opposite the plot of American Embassy office in South Extension Part-I, New Delhi,

(b) whether it is also a fact that this garbage is being dumped at the instance of some of the officers of Municipal Corporation of Delhi,

(c) if so, what action has been taken or propose to be taken by Government to stop immediately this nuisance, and

(d) what action has been taken against the ering official of MCD at whose behalf garbage is being dumped in the resi-

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CHINTAMANI PANIGRAHI) (a) to (c) The dumping site near N-11 and 13, South Extension Part I has been existing since 1975 The garbage in the area is collected at this site

Representations for shifting of garbage site have been received but no other suitable site for this purpose is yet available in the locality.

(d) Does not arise

Urdu teleprinter service

2233 DR MOHD HASHIM KIDWAI Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state

(a) whether there is any teleprinter service in Urdu in the country, and

(b) if not, whether Government propose to introduce such service, if so, when?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI SANTOSH MOHAN DEV) (a) No, Sir

There is no teleprinter service in Urdu in the country However telegrams in Urdu language written in Devnagari and Roman scripts are accepted for transmission and delivery

(b) There is no such proposal for introduction of teleprinter service in Urdu.

Persons arrested for espionage activities

2234 DR. MOHD HASHIM KIDWAI Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be please to state

(a) the number of persons arrested for espionage activities during the last two years,

(b) the number of Government servants among the arrested persons,

(c) the number of journalists and political workers among the arrested persons; and

(d) how many of these have been convicted and how many of these are still facing trials?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI P CHIDAMBARAM)

(a) to (d) Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House

Opening of rural banks

2235 SHRI ALADI ARUNA alias V ARUNACHALAM Will the Minister of PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION be pleased to state

(a) whether he had recently addressed a letter to the Finance Minister suggesting him to open rural banks, and

(b) if so, what is the response of the Minister of Finance to the suggestion?

THE MINISTER OF PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION (SHRI A B A GHANI KHAN CHOUDHURY) (a) Yes, Sir

(b) Regional Rural Banks have already been set up to operate primarily in rural areas and they lend to lower income groups Measures to further strengthen the existing institutions and programmes for weaker sections are receiving continuous attention of the Government