

Performance of electrical generating units

655. DR. MOHD. HASHIM KID-WAI: Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the performance of some electrical generating units in the country is not satisfactory;

(b) whether it is also a fact that this has resulted in the shortfall of power generation in the country; and

(c) if so, what steps the Government propose to take or have taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF POWER AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRIMATI SUSHI -LA ROHATGI): (a) and (b) During the period April-June, 1986, the total power generation was 1.5 per cent less than the programme. The shortfall was mainly on account of poor performance of some of the thermal units and low hydel generation due to low reservoir levels.

(c) The measures taken to increase the availability of power include expediting commissioning of new capacity, better utilisation of existing capacity, implementing short-gestation projects, reducing transmission and distribution losses and implementation of energy conservation and demand management measures.

पटपड़गंज रोड़ पर पेट्रोल-पम्प

656. श्री राम चन्द्र विकल : क्या पेट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि दिल्ली में यमुना-पार "पटपड़गंज रोड़ विकास मार्ग चौराहे" (लक्ष्मी नगर के निकट) पर कोई पेट्रोल पम्प नहीं है;

(ख) यदि हाँ, तो क्या उस क्षेत्र के वाहन चालकों को इसके फलस्वरूप

अत्यधिक कठिनाई का सामना करना पड़ता है;

(ग) क्या सरकार उस क्षेत्र में पेट्रोल पम्प लगाने पर विचार कर रही है और यदि हाँ, तो उसका ब्यौरा क्या है ; और

(घ) यदि उपर्युक्त भाग (ग) का उत्तर "ना" हो, तो इसके क्या कारण हैं ?

विद्युत विभाग में राज्य मंत्री तथा पेट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्रीमती सुशीला रोहतगी) :

(क) और (ख) इस समय पटपड़गंज में एक पेट्रोल (पेट्रोल/डीजल) बिक्री केन्द्र है जो दिल्ली में यमुना पारोय क्षेत्र में पटपड़गंज रोड़, विकास मार्ग चौराहे (लक्ष्मी नगर के समीप) से लगभग 2 किलोमीटर की दूरी पर है। उपर्युक्त क्षेत्र में मोटर चालकों की ईंधन की आवश्यकताएँ उक्त फुटकर पेट्रोल बिक्री केन्द्र से पूरी हो जाती हैं।

(ग) और (घ) चार और फुटकर बिक्री केन्द्र विकसित किसे जा रहे हैं जिनके विवरण नीचे दिये गये हैं :--

(1) लक्ष्मी नगर डिस्ट्रिक्ट सेन्टर

(2) तिलोकपुरी

(3) विकास मार्ग पर प्रीत विहार कम्युनिटी सेन्टर

(4) रेलवे ओवर ब्रिज के टेक, आफ पाइन्ट पर आई०टी०ओ० पुज की ओर से 36।

Performance of coal companies

657. SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOWDHURY: Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) how many of the subsidiary companies of the Coal India Limited showed better performance in 1985-86;

(b) which are the companies under CIL which are showing continuous losses and also not reaching their target of production; and

(c) what efforts are being made by Government to improve their performance?

THE MINISTER OF ENERGY (SHRI VASANT SATHE): (a) to (c) Accounts of Coal India Limited and its subsidiaries for the year 1985-86 have not yet been finalised.

While Central Coalfields Limited, Western Coalfields Limited and Central Mine Planning and Design Institute Limited have been earning profit since 1979-80, Bharat Coking Coal Limited and Eastern Coalfields Limited have been incurring losses over the years.

During the year 1985-86, both, Central Coalfields Limited and Western Coalfields Limited exceeded their targets of production. Eastern Coalfields Limited exceeded the target of production very marginally. Bharat Coking Coal Limited, however, lagged behind the target.

Various measures being adopted to increase production and improve productivity in the coal companies include considerable investment in new mines, fuller utilisation of mining capacity already created, more efficient use and better maintenance of equipment, stricter control of inventory and economy in the use of stores, better use of manpower 'by controlling absenteeism and enforcing discipline and identification of surplus workers and their redeployment after suitable training, better availability of scarce inputs like explosives, timber etc., reduction in pit-head stocks by faster movement and more systematic distribution, expeditious and timely completion of new projects- and improvement in law and order situation.

Besides, the performance of the coal companies is reviewed by the Government from time to time and coal com-

panies are advised suitably to take remedial/corrective measures to improve their performance.

The Coal India Limited and Eastern Coalfields Limited have been directed to implement the decisions of the Government on the various recommendations of the Chari Committee appointed by the Government to enquire into the working of Eastern Coalfields Limited.

Government have appointed a Committee under the Chairmanship of Shri A. N. Banerjee, former Chairman-cum-Managing Director, Central Mine Planning and Design Institute Limited to enquire into the working of Bharat Coking Coal Limited and suggest remedial measures for improving its performance. The report of the Committee is awaited.

Improvement in the performance of DESU

658. SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOWDHURY: Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Delhi Electric Supply Undertaking' (DESU) could not provide better service due to transmission problems and lack of replacement of cables; and

(b) if so, what steps are being taken by Government to improve the working of DESU so as to provide better electric supply in the Capital?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF POWER AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRIMATI SUSHI - LA ROHATGI): (a) The over-all power supply in Delhi has been, by and large, satisfactory. The transmission and distribution system of Delhi Electric supply Undertaking is capable of catering to the power requirements of Delhi. The work of replacement of cables, as and when necessary, is also carried out.

(b) Continuous efforts are being made by DESU to further improve the